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Kinnock refrains from blanket repeal commitment

Fowler welfare review softer than forecast

- Proposed changes in the welfare state would give extra cash to low income workers during the build-up to the next election.
- A new computerized system for delivering benefits and a new April uprating date will be introduced in 1987.
- Mr Neil Kinnock condemned the proposals and reaffirmed that a Labour Government would restore State earnings-related pensions.
- Conservatives were relieved that Mr Fowler is to allow unemployment benefit to continue to be paid for one year.
- The Institute of Directors welcomed the Green Paper but said it lacked the wide appeal of the Beveridge model.
- Help the Aged says that two million pensioners could lose heating allowances in exchange for a small rise in basic benefit.

By Anthony Bevins and Richard Evans

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, gave the Commons an outline plan yesterday of his much-heralded overhaul of the welfare state.

It included a 15-year phase-out of the state earnings related pension scheme; replacement of supplementary benefit by a scheme of income support; family credits in pay packets for low-income working families; a £500 million phased cutback in housing benefit; the possibility of flexible retirement between 60 and 70; and a new social fund to help people in special difficulties.

But some Conservative backbenchers were convinced last night that the most significant and telling element of the package was the date for change; the build-up to the next election.

Extra cash help for low-income working families is to be paid out in the expected pre-election Budget of 1987.

Mr Fowler said that the new, computerized system for delivering benefit would be introduced with a new uprating date of April in 1987. After this year's customary November uprating of benefits, there will be another uprating in July next year before the introduction of the new scheme in the 1987 Budget which will, for the first time, bring benefits and taxes into one consolidated package.

Labour as well as Conservative MPs were in little doubt last night that the Government would use that opportunity to win votes.



There was also consensus across the Commons that Mr Fowler had "got away with murder" in a statement which was much softer than previous leaks had indicated, and which was greeted with less than fury from the Opposition benches.

In the Commons, Mr Michael Meacher, the Labour spokesman, said: "This is a black day for the people of Britain, a monument to six harsh years of Thatcher rule. The themes of this statement are more means testing, bigger cuts, penalizing the pensioners, the unemployed and the low-paid in order to enrich further the already-rich, the privatization of the welfare state at any cost."

Mr Neil Kinnock told a Westminster press conference that Mr Fowler's Green Papers represented "a cheap and nasty strategy from a cheating and nasty Government." But he held back from committing a future Labour government to blanket repeal of the social security reforms which are to be the subject of legislation in the next parliamentary session.

However, he repeated a party promise to restore the state earnings-related pension scheme, and added: "We are absolutely committed to the principle of, from each according to his means, to each according to their needs."

Together with Mr Meacher and Civil Service union leaders, the Labour leader concentrated his attack on the absence of figures in Mr Fowler's statement which, he said, demonstrated the Government was ashamed of what it was doing. Mr Meacher produced various estimates of the alleged cuts, ranging from £1 billion to £2 billion.

Mr Fowler told the Commons that he could not give figures and costings until the level of new benefits had been decided.

But his department said that there would be long-term cuts in public spending on Serps, which would have added £23 billion to the pensions bill in the first 30 years of the next century.

There would also be economies in administering the £40 billion social security system, which is run by 120,000 officials; the new system of income support, replacing supplementary benefit, would be designed to deliver the same overall help; and family credits for the low-income groups would give greater cash help to people who have suffered from the poverty trap, under which they have forfeited extra earnings, and the unemployment trap which sommetimes meant they were better off on the dole.

Conservative MPs gave a markedly strong welcome to Mr Fowler's package. There was some considerable relief that the minister had pulled away from some of the earlier suggestions, particularly the possibility that unemployment benefit might have been limited to six months.

Mr Fowler confirmed that that benefit would continue to be paid for a year.

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THE MAIN PROPOSALS

Pensions: The State earnings-related pension scheme is to be phased out by about the year 2000. Men aged over 50 and women over 45 will remain in the scheme. Those younger will be transferred to private occupational or personal pensions, over the three years 1987-88 to 1989-90. No existing pensioners will be affected and existing rights under Serps will be honoured. Pensioners' Christmas bonus will stay.

Retirement age: Unchanged, but the Government is inviting views on a flexible "decade of retirement" between ages 60 and 70.

Housing Benefit: Savings of about £500 million on the £4.2 billion scheme, with all seven million recipients having to pay at least 20 per cent rates.

Supplementary benefit: To be abolished and replaced with a new system of income support with lower rates for people aged under 25 but premium rates for pensioners, lone parents, the long-term sick and disabled and families. Existing extra weekly payments, including heating additions, will be abolished to help pay higher rates of basic benefit.

Poverty trap: A new family credit to replace family income supplement, paid through the pay packet rather than DHSS, to enhance take-home pay for families in low paid work, avoiding worst effects of poverty trap.

Child benefit: Will remain, but may not be uprated fully in line with inflation to help pay for family credit and family premium.

Death grant: To be abolished, funeral expenses being met through new social fund.

Maternity grant: Up from £25 to about £75, but limited to low income families.

Earnings rules: Commitment to abolish pensioners' earnings rule. Couples unemployed two years, single parents and disabled to be allowed to earn £15 a week instead of £4 without loss of benefit.

Students: Commitment to remove right to housing and supplementary benefit following green paper on student support.

Criticism from TUC praise by directors

By Our Social Service Correspondent

The TUC yesterday said the social security proposals were "bad new for everybody". The Institue of Directors welcomed the Green Paper says it had halted the "slide to chaos" in the welfare state.

The institute said however that while the phasing out of the state earnings related pension scheme (Serps) was "a major step forward", the Green Paper lacked "the clarity, simplicity and wide appeal of the Beveridge model". Contributory ad non-contirbutory benefits and universal payments to rich and poor remained "jumbled together".

The TUC said the ending of Serps was "like mugging being called a redistribution of Wealth". The proposals would cut pensions people receive in retirement, reduce help with housing and other costs for many working familits and replace universal grants for birth and death with means-tests. "The Government has produced no simplification of the system. Quite the reverse," it said.

Age Concern said pensioners were being made "sacrificail lambs" while cuts in housing benfit might affect nearly 4,500,000 pensioners, Edng the death grant was "cruel and insensitive".

Help the Aged said that at first sight the two million pensioners totally dependent on state benefits looked set to lose their heating allowances and have their housing benefit trimmed in return for a small increase in their basic benefit.

The Tory Reform group said the proposals would produce small savings and a great political controversy. "Neither is necessary".

The Royal National Institute for the Blind said it was "deeply suspicious" of the proposals with large numbers of the poorest blind people set to lose a £5.35 a week extra supplementary benefit payment, but with no indication of how much they would get from the disabled people's premium



Mr Zhao with Mrs Thatcher at Whitehall yesterday. Photograph: John Manning.

Britain and China sign nuclear deal

By Henry Stanhope
Diplomatic Correspondent

Britain and China signed agreements on nuclear and economic co-operation yesterday during more than two hours of talks between Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Minister, at 10 Downing Street.

Britain's contracts with China were expanding more and rapidly than with any other nation, Mrs Thatcher said at the dinner which followed. She went on to pay handsome compliments to Mr Zhao on the modernization programme which his government is putting into effect.

Both premiers also made clear their wishes to extend contracts still further, in cultural, scientific and educational fields and, perhaps most of all, in trade, which, Mrs Thatcher said, had doubled between 1982 and 1984.

Earlier, Mr Zhao, the highest-ranking Chinese leader to come to Britain for six years, enjoyed the rare tribute of a special guard of honour in the forecourt of the Foreign Office after his arrival for a week-long tour.

He was also addressed in fluent Mandarin by an officer of the Second Battalion, Grenadier Guards, which mounted the guard of honour and played the Chinese national anthem. According to a member of the Chinese delegation, the officer, Major Charles Wiggin, performed extremely well as he invited Mr Zhao to inspect the guard.

About 15 protestors chanting slogans in a demonstration organized by the Tibetan community in Britain, struck the only discordant note as Mr Zhao, in a dark, pin-stripe suit, strode up and down the ranks of scarlet and gold.

He was greeted at the Whitehall ceremony by Mrs Thatcher, who escorted him through the arch into Downing Street for a courtesy call several hours before his more extended visit in the late afternoon.

Today he will be the guest at a Mansion House luncheon, while his Foreign Minister, Mr Wu Xueqian, has talks with Sir Geoffey Howe, the Foreign Secretay.

Friends and foes salute Brown

By Julian Haviland
Political Editor

A warmth of affection far beyond the conventions of respect due to the dead shone through the many tributes paid yesterday, by political friends and former foes alike, to Lord George-Brown, former Foreign Secretary and deputy leader of the Labour Party, who died, aged 70, on Sunday night.

His energy at the height of his political powers, his imagination his courage were recalled by those who knew him in government; but his warmth and humanity were at the top of everyone's list.

At the same time, many who worked closely with him had stories of his quirkiness, his mercurial temper, his erratic outspokenness, which so often made him a difficult colleague. Above all, in every recollection there was that recognition of promise unfulfilled, which troubles all students of Brown's career.

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BBC is set for changes at top

By David Hewson

The BBC is about to embark on a reshuffle of its most senior management and is considering the position of every official, including that of Mr Alasdair Milne, the director-general.

The future of Mr Alan Protheroe, the corporation's assistant director general, who took an important part in the licence fee negotiatons, as well as those of the heads of the news and current affairs departments, is also under consideration. Corporation sources said that it was probable that the BBC's board of governors would make decision on the management changes on Thursday.

One name put forward as a possible replacement for Mr Milne is Mr Jeremy Isaacs, the head of Channel 4, who recently had a private lunch with the BBC's governors. He is in Canada, but Channel 4 officials said last night only a few months ago he signed a contract with the channel which runs until 1988.

Channel 4 executives thought that it was unlikely that Mr Isaacs would join the BBC if offered a position. He frequently describes his present role as "the best job in British television", and the channel's pioneering use of independent producers has made the channel a favourite industrial example for those who press the case that the BBC and independent television are expensive monopolies.

But Channel 4 sources confirmed that they expected Mr Isaacs would be released from his contract if he was offered the post of director-general with the BBC and he accepted it.

BBC officials described the atmosphere within the corporation as "extremely tense" and felt that an announcement about the future management structure could not be delayed

BBC journalists feel that Mr Protheroe has been under pressure for some time, particularly since his spirited defence of the corporation's contested use of TV-am's interview with Princess Michael of Kent. His position is thought to be more under threat than that of Mr Milne.

The BBC has confirmed that it is to make senior changes in its news and current affairs staffs. Mr Peter Ibbotson, editor of *Panorama*, is to be seconded to help with the preparation of evidence to the Peacock Committee of the funding of the corporation.

It is understood that Mr Ibbotson was offered the editorship of *The Money Programme* but declined. After working on evidence for Peacock he will take up a newly-created post of assistant head of current affairs.

Mr David Dickinson, editor of *Newsnight*, will take over *Panorama*, and Mr Richard Tait, who edits *The Money Programme*, will move to *Newsnight*.

11 Tamils sent out of Britain

By George Hill

Tamils seeking refuge from persecution in Sri Lanka have already been deported from Britain since the Government imposed new restrictions on their entry last week, the Home Secretary, Mr Leon Brittan, told the House of Commons

But none had been sent to Sri Lanka itself. Ten had been returned to other European countries, and one to India, he said answering questions after making a statement defending the new restrictions.

In the case of genuine refugees, Britain would honour to the full its obligations under the international convention on the treatment of refugees, Mr Brittan said. Parliament, page 4

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Ban on drink to be law

Thatcher says no excuse for riot

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The Prime Minister, announcing in the Commons yesterday measures being taken against football hooliganism "to put our own house in order", said that the radical changes were needed if the game was to survive as a spectator sport.

After her statement to MPs on last Wednesday's tragedy in Brussels, Mrs Margaret Thatcher said: "There are no excuses for what happened. We must not try to find any."

Throughout the lengthy and solemn exchanges about the disaster at the European Cup Final which resulted in 38 deaths Mrs Thatcher placed the emphasis on the prevention of, and severe punishment for, what she said was often "calculated, mindful" violence.

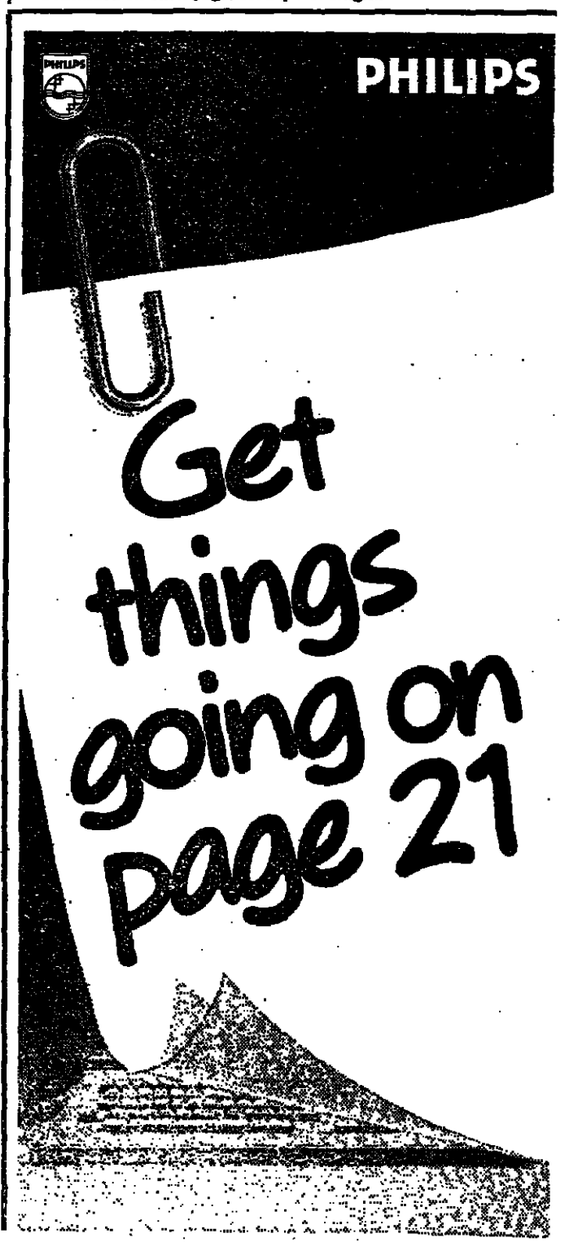
She rejected suggestions by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, and Mr Merlyn Rees, the former Labour home secretary, that the Government should inquire into the causes of the violence in society of which hooliganism was part.

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Mrs Thatcher, who said there was a national sense of grief and shame over the events, announced the following measures:

- A Bill to be law before next season to ban possession of alcohol at football grounds, and on football coaches and trains.
- Installation of closed circuit television to be speeded up. The Football Trust is to give £500,000 initially to give cover at more than 30 grounds, in addition to the 11 subject to experiments.
- Urgent talks with the football authorities about the introduction of membership cards, on a club or national basis; more all-ticket matches; stricter controls, and sometimes a ban, on visiting spectators.
- Police to be given power under public order legislation next session to limit size of attendance at matches where they expect trouble.
- Popplewell inquiry into Bradford fire to take into account lessons learnt from Brussels.
- British police forces to help Brussels authorities to bring to justice offenders at last Wednesday's match, and assistance if they require extradition.

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Housing complex smashed in Tehran's worst air raid

From Robert Fisk
Tehran

Iraqi jets have staged their most savage attack on the Iranian capital since the Gulf War began five years ago.

Yesterday armed Revolutionary Guards and hospital workers were digging into the bombed ruins of a civilian housing complex in the north of Tehran.

The air raid, which killed or wounded up to 200 people, was the work of two high altitude bombers, believed to be Soviet-made Ilyushin 28s. They dropped two high explosive bombs on to the suburb of Gishe, which tore through five apartment blocks in devastating explosions that could be heard across the city.

It was the first time the Iraqis had used bombs in their air raids on the capital, their jets had previously fired only rockets over Tehran, and they brought the "war of the cities" to an even more brutal stage.

While Iranian news broadcasts were yesterday still trying to encourage morale here with reports of the two missile attacks on Baghdad on Saturday and Sunday, ambulances in Tehran were carrying to hospitals people who had been buried in the rubble of their homes for more than 12 hours.

At least 36 civilians were killed, one estimate put the figure at 50, after the Iraqi planes entered Tehran air space just before midnight on Suday night. Iranian anti-aircraft fire, both tracer and shells, exploded impotently some 6,000ft beneath the Iraqi aircraft, which released their bombs indiscriminatley on to Gishe.

From a rooftop of a building to the south, I saw two huge flashes of crimson light over the district. They were followed by thunderous explosions that shook buildings over a radius of more than a mile.

The scene of the bombing yesterday morning was for many Tehranis a shattering one. One four-storey block of flats containing 16 families had been literally blown to pieces. A little girl in the building had been celebrating her birthday during the evening, and many children were staying the night with her family when one bomb destroyed the girl's home.

One man in the street outsdie was cursing Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi president, for the slaughter, although local anger embraced more than Iraq's Baathist regime.

Several Revolutionary Guards fired their rifles in the air during the morning, and another man explained abruptly: "Many people are angry; the 'Pasadaran' (revolutionary guards) have arrested many people here. I don't believe you will be able to write the truth about what has happened, you must go."

In March and April there were 13 air raids on Tehran. Now, there are 13 a week, sometimes three in one day. Only one Iraqi jet has so far been shot down, during a daylight raid in March, when the Iranians are believed to have used an American-built F-14 fighter to destroy it.

Biffen will urge MPs to vote against Powell embryo Bill

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Parliamentary supporters of Mr Enoch Powell's controversial Bill for the protection of human embryos are being asked by ministers to desert his cause in a decisive Commons vote on Friday.

Although the Government is neutral on the Bill's merits, and its members are divided, Mr John Biffen, Leader of the Commons, has decided that he must use all his powers to dissuade MPs from taking the only step which could now save the Bill.

He will argue that the novel procedural vote planned for Friday, devised by Mr Powell and his supporters, will if successful, wreck the established rules for the use of private members' time, and that backbenchers' rights will suffer.

The vote arises on a motion in the name of Mr Andrew Bowden, Conservative MP for Brighton Kemptown, an ally of Mr Powell's who has secured the opportunity in the regular ballot for private members' motions.

The form of the motion, for which Commons proceduralists can find no precedent, would allow debate on the Bill to continue indefinitely, if need be through Sunday and Monday. It would destroy the established and only weapon available to a determined minority – the power to deny a controversial measure adequate time.

Mr Biffen was questioned in the Commons yesterday by Mr Peter Shore, for the Opposition, about "this dangerous precedent", and by a Conservative, Mr Nicholas Baker, who supports the Powell Bill but wanted the Commons committee on procedures to look at the "procedural loophole".

Mr Biffen reserved his position until Friday, when he will seek to put the case against the Bowden-Powell manoeuvre in a 10-minute speech after Mr Powell, a formidable procedurali[illegible], and debater, has spoken in favour.

His case, in brief, will be that the precedent which would be set if Mr Powell's side won, would be so far-reaching that it ought not to be introduced incidentally.

He will argue that, no matter how great the merits of the Bill, which he happens to support, the effect of the Bowden motion would be to remove the only defences against all sorts of interests which opportunist groups of MPs may wish to attack. That may be right, but it should not be done without proper study.

It was clear yesterday that Mr Biffen's anxieties were rapidly spreading among Conservative supporters of the Powell Bill, and were being deliberately spread, if not by Government Whips, then by their surrogates.

Powell supporters were being invited to contemplate a precedent which might in future keep them at Westminster night and day, through Saturday and Sunday, several times a year.

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Poll tax electoral suicide, AMA says

By Hugh Clayton
Local Government Correspondent

Poll taxes would hit deprived inner cities more than leafy shires, according to the Association of Metropolitan Authorities.

The tax could exceed rates in the cities and be below them in the countryside. But the highest poll tax would be in the City of London where it could reach £9,000 a head, it said.

Mr Jack Layden, Labour chairman of the association, said that the only fair and workable way of raising local revenue was to supplement rates with a local income tax. "If the Government are serious about replacing domestic rates with a poll tax then they are inviting electoral suicide," he said.

Th Labour-dominated association, which represents many inner city councils, said that the cost of a poll tax would depend on possible changes in government grant distribution and separate reforms of the business rate.

The association based its calculation on the assumption that if a council wanted to spend more than the Government thought it needed to spend, it would have to raise the whole of the extra money from a local poll tax.

On that basis the cost of a poll tax in most counties would range from £122 to £239 a year for each adult.

The lowest London borough would be Croydon, at just over £200 a head, while Wandsworth, Westminster and Kensington would all be about £420. The highest London figures would be in some of the most deprived areas, including Southwark, Hackney and Lambeth, at well over £500 a head.



Dropping zone: Colour Sergeant Dave Ford, of Exmouth, Devon, preparing to abseil 484 feet down the Telecom Tower in central London yesterday. He was a member of a seven-man team which raised £10,000 for the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London.

The event was organized by the Royal Marines which provided five members of the team making the descent from the former observation tower. They were led over the parapet by Police Constable Gil Boyd, of Cambridge, whose record descent took just under four minutes. He and a former police colleague have raised thousands of pounds for the London hospital where his son Thomas has been a patient for five years

Photographs: Bill Warhurst and John Voos

Left to use age in blocking union man

From David Felton
Labour Correspondent
Blackpool

Left-wingers in a key communications union, who were rebuffed in an attempt to draft Mr Ken Livingstone as their candidate in a forthcoming leadership election, are now seeking to block the candidature of Mr John Golding, a leading Labour Party right-winger.

The election for general secretary of the 160,000-strong National Communications Union (NCU) is scheduled for next Spring and the union's left organization has plans to delay the vote so that Mr Golding, a member of the Labour national executive will be too old to stand.

The left's candidate is almost certain to be Mr Phil Holt, a Liverpool-based supporter of the Militant Tendency.

A movement to prevent Mr Golding from fighting the election is gathering ground and was given fresh impetus yesterday when election results showed that the left has consolidated its control on the executive committee

The idea of approaching Mr Livingstone came from the NCU's Broad Left organization but the leader of the Greater London Council rejected the overtures, preferring to seek a career in the House of Commons. The strategy for blocking Mr Golding includes either delaying the election until after the Newcastle-upon-Lyme MP is disqualified, when he reaches the age of 55 in March, or changing the union's rules at a special conference in November to have the general secretary elected by a conference of delegates more sympathetic to the left.

The left are also thought to be anxious to distance the election from the political fund campaign, masterminded by Mr Golding, who is also the NCU's political officer, which is expected to show a large majority of members have voted in favour of retaining a political fund. Results of the ballot are scheduled to be announced at the end of this month.

Lessons for TUC

The TUC must learn lessons from the miners' strike and involve itself in all major disputes in the future, according to Mr David Basnett, one of the most influential voices in the Labour movement.

Mr Basnett, general secretary of the General Municipal Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union, told his union's annual conference in Blackpool that there was an overriding need for the union's senior body to regain influence and authority. He argued that the most obvious failure of the movement to support the miners, in not being able to organize industrial action by key groups of workers, was partly due to the lack of involvement by the TUC until a late stage.

Scholarship scheme for poor foreign students

By our Education Correspondent

A new scholarship scheme for bright, but poor Commonwealth students was announced yesterday by Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development.

It will provide 450 scholarships over five years, beginning next year, and the funding will be shared between the Overseas Development Administration and those universities and polytechnics wishing to take part.

Mr Raison said that the scheme was being introduced because of concern about the difficulty of getting places in British universities since the advent of "full-cost" fees for overseas students in 1980. "There is a feeling that nowadays it is much harder for people to get to Great Britain to be educated and that therefore they are going elsewhere", he said.

It is estimated that the scheme will cost £16 million altogether, with the ODA paying £8 million on fares and fees, and the educational institutions having to fund the students' maintenance costs. Universities and polytechnics are being told they will not be able to tap their recurrent grant but will have to raise the additional money privately.

Mr Raison, who announced the scheme in reply to a Parliamentary Question from Mr Robert Key, MP for Salisbury, said the scholarships would be open to students, aged under 35, from 57 developing Commonwealth countries.

Newspaper talks fail

Prospects of a deal between the National Union of Journalist's and the National Graphical Association over new technology receded yesterday as a meeting over a dispute at the *Kent Messenger* broke up after 30 minutes amid considerable bitterness.

An NUJ request that the NGA should not seek to "follow the work" out of the composing room on to the editorial floor, was described as "outrageous" by Mr Tony Dubbins, general secretary of the association.

Army title for princess

The Princess of Wales forged her first formal links with the Army yesterday by agreeing to become Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Hampshire Regiment. She will be the first royal colonel-in-chief of the Berlin-based regiment.

At the same time, she has been appointed Honorary Air Commodore of RAF Wittering, Cambridgeshire, home of many of the Harrier aircraft used in the Falklands War.

Sinn Fein wins injunction

From Richard Ford, Belfast

Two Provisional Sinn Fein councillors won a High Court injunction yesterday, forbidding a "loyalist"-controlled local authority from holding a committee meeting designed to exclude them from involvement in coulcil business.

The first meeting of a special committee set up by Craigavon Borough Council in Co Armagh was banned by Mr Justice Hutton less than four hours before it was due to be held.

The judge also gave the two councillors leave to apply for a full hearing into the legality of the decision of last week's council meeting, during which Unionists set up the committee in an attempt to isolate the PSF.

The full hearing of the action will be in the High Court, Belfast, on Monday.

Granting the injunction at the end of a 13-minute hearing during which Mr Brian Kerr, for the councillors, had applied for what he described as "draconian relief", the judge said that it had been heard in open court because it was an issue of public interest.

There was a much greater risk of injustice if he permitted the meeting to be held and it was later found that the special committee was unlawful.

At last week's council meeting Unionists united with the aim of excluding Mr Bendan Curran and Mr Brian McCann, both supporters of the Provisional IRA's armed struggle, from all council business.

The Democratic Unionist Party proposed that the newly-elected councillors sit at a separate table, and when they did not move a uniformed Royal Ulster Constabulary officer escorted them from the chamber. In their absence the Unionists voted through a proposal to set up a committee within the council, through which most of the authority's business would be conducted with Sinn Fein excluded for membership.

After the hearing Mr Curran said that they were satisfied with the result so far.

Passengers saved by bus driver

Judith Dale, aged 39, a coach driver, of Taylor Hill, Huddersfield, steered her 16 passengers to safety when the buses brakes failed on a steep moorland road near the village of Strines near Sheffield.

Eight passengers were taken to the Royal Hallamshire Hospital in Sheffield. Seven were treated for minor injuries and another detained for observation

South Yorkshire police accident investigators were making a detailed inspection yesterday of the wrecked coach, which ended up on the edge of a 100-ft drop.

They were also examining a car, empty at the time, that the coach rammed before it hit a tree.

After realising the brakes had failed, the driver put the coach into a lower gear to slow it down.

It was on its way back to Halifax from a sightseeing trip to Derbyshire

School strike threat to exempted areas

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

The 42 local education authorities which have been exempted from strike action by the National Union of Teachers because they have signed statements sympathetic to the teachers' pay case could soon be back on the hit list.

Mr Fred Jarvis, the union's general secretary, has asked local divisions to check what action their authorities have taken to implement the statements of support for teachers.

"The union expects the local education authorities concerned to furnish evidence that they have made strong and supportive representations to their appropriate national local authority associations", he said yesterday. It also expects them to have put pressure on their representative in the Burnham negotiating committee and their local MPs.

"Unless the authorities can furnish evidence of action in support of the declaration, they will again be considered for selective strike action," he said.

The decision of the biggest teachers' union to monitor adherence to the statements comes after a decision by the second biggest teachers' union, the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, to abandon its no-strike deals with five authorities on the ground that they are not worth the paper they are written on.

Privately the employers' side has expressed scepticism about the value of the statements which have nevertheless been embarrassing. By signing them, and almost one half have signed statements, authorities were publicly rejecting the negotiating position of their own side because they agreed to put aside a reference to arbitration.

The NUT begins its twelfth week of selective strikes today

Hopes for talks to end Nacods ban

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

Hopes of settling the 18-day overtime ban by pit deputies rest on peace talks today at the headquarters of the National Coal Board in London.

The 10-member executive of the National Association of Colliery Overmen, Deputies and Shotfirers yesterday decided to seek "clarification" of a message from Mr James Cowan, the board's deputy chairman, aimed at bringing closer a new procedure for reviewing collieries the board wants to close.

Although the statement did not go all the way to satisfy the demands on pit closures, it was felt that it brought the prospect of agreement nearer.

Mr Peter McNestry, Nacods general secretary, said that Mr Cowan's statement went "some way" to meeting the union's demand that the "status quo" be maintained while a pit went through the procedure.

But he added a warning: "We have been in this game before. We need a lot more clarity than there is in this letter.

The statement affirms that where all three unions oppose a closure, the board will take no measures to run down the pit. But the statement, sent at the end of last week, is understood to make clear that where opposition is not unanimous, the board would retain its right to transfer men while maintaining the fabric of the colliery.

- Northumberland area miners revealed plans to serve a writ on the board over its proposal allegedly to close Bates colliery, Blyth, outside the established colliery review procedure.
- Manpower in the board's profitable North Yorkshire area will be reduced by 1,000 to 11,500 over the next 12 months, under proposals announced to the unions by the area director, Mr Michael Eaton, yesterday.
- Dean Hancock, aged 21, one of the two South Wales miners jailed for life for murdering a taxi driver during the pit strike, has lodged notice of appeal against his conviction

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150 clinical academic posts lost

By Richard Evans
Lobby Reporter

More than 150 academic posts have been lost in university medical schools and faculties in England and Wales after years of cash cuts, it was disclosed yesterday.

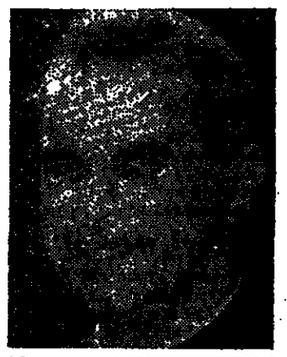
"The overall position is marginally better than feared, but still potentially serious," the Commons social services select committee said in a report.

While the effect on medical services and patient care had not been grave, it had been more than "marginal", as predicted by the Government in November 1982.

"The full effect of the cuts have been masked by health authority support for some posts lost, which can only have come about at the cost of other services.

Medics employed by universities make a significant contribution to National Health Service clinical work and provide about 5 per cent of hospital patient care in Britain.

Edinburgh's archbishop



The new Archbishop of St Andrews and Edinburgh is to be Father Keith O'Brien, aged 47, the Rector of St Mary's College, Blairs, Aberdeen, the Roman Catholic Church in Scotland announced yesterday. He succeeds Cardinal Gordon Gray, who announced last November that he was to retire.

Father O'Brien (right) graduated with a science degree from Edinburgh University and studied for the priesthood at St Andrews College, Drygrange. He also holds a diploma in education. He was ordained in 1965.

RIBA tackles 'madhouse' of indemnity insurance

By Charles Knevitt, Architecture Correspondent

The Royal Institute of British Artchitects is entering the insurance market with the Bowring group as brokers, in an attempt to "bring stability to the madhouse market" of professional indemnity insurance for its members".

Private firms of architects have faced increases in annual premiums of as much as 300 per cent in the past two years, partly as a result of instructions by government departments to pursue, to the bitter end, claims for building defects.

A joint company is to be set up by the end of the year and the institute proposes to make its cover mandatory for members, if necessary.

The main broker at present is the ABF insurance agency, which is independent of the RIBA. Negotiations on the value of the business have broken down, after a bid by the RIBA to take it over, although further talks are planned.

The Property Services Agency, part of the Department of the Environment, has insisted that its private professional consultants should take out a minimum £250,000, and a maximum of £5 million, cover on an each-and-every-claim basis, and there is indefinite liability.

Other government departments and agencies, among them the Department of Health and Social Security and the Housing Corporation, are following the PSA's lead.

MP's agent was devious, court told

Actions by Mr Charles Hubbard, agent for Mr Austin Mitchell, the Labour MP for Great Grimsby during the last general election were described yesterday as "cunning, devious and dishonest".

Mr Hubbard appeared at Lincoln Crown Court where he denied charges of forgery, perjury and two counts of making false declarations.

Mr Nigel Baker, for the prosecution, said that Mr Hubbard overspent the permitted expenses allowed by law on electioneering in 1983 and then tried to conceal the action.

The amount allowed was £4,295 and Mr Hubbard, who saw Mr Mitchell narrowly retain his seat, declared that he had underspent by a small amount.

Mr Baker siad that in fact he had overspent because he had not included a £320 bill for two sets of the Labour newspaper, *Grimsby Clarion*.

Mr Hubbard, of Laceby Road, Grimsby, made the newspaper receipts "disappear" by splitting them up and saying that the amount was, expenditure for the local council elections held a month earlier, Mr Baker said.

He said the matter had come to light after complaints from Mr Paul Genney, the SDP/Alliance candidate, and resulted in a hearing at the High Court in London in which Mr Mitchell and Mr Hubbard admitted that they had overspent slightly but said that this had not been done deliberately.

The trial continues today.

'White elephant' attack on £60m centre rebuffed

Government sources have denied reports that the new International Conference Centre under construction at Broad Sanctuary, opposite Westminster Abbey and within sight of the Houses of Parliament, will be a "white elephant" (our Architecture Correspondent writes).

Occupancy rates will be in excess of 70 per cent within three years of its completion next summer, they claim.

Criticism has been levelled at the apparent mounting cost of the centre, which has a maximum capacity of 2,200, and at its design, by the architects, Powell, Moya and Partners.

In June 1978 the Commons was told the centre would cost £15 million but it is expected to reach more than £60 million, including furniture and fittings, when it opens in time for Britain's presidency of the EEC on July 1, 1986. The official building cost is put at £46.4 million.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, Labour MP for Workington, recently described the centre as a "horrible eyesore" just off Parliament Square, and "totally out of tune with architectural thinking in the 1980s".

Court orders release of two fans

From Ian Murray, Brussels

Two of the nine British fans held by Belgian police since last week's European Cup Final were ordered to be released yesterday after a brief court appearance.

They had to spend an extra night in prison because the Belgian authorities had mislaid their passports. The fans are hoping to be released today.

Two others, charged with more serious offences, were remanded in custody for 30 days.

Like all those who have been arrested, the four who appeared in court yesterday were not directly involved in the rioting at the Heysel stadium when 38 people died last Wednesday.

The two who were released were Mr James Templeton, aged 32, and Mr James Prior, aged 26, both from Liverpool.

They had been arrested on suspicion of pick-pocketing but were released for want of sufficient evidence.

The two still in custody were Mr Peter Thomas, aged 32, who was arrested for being allegedly in possession of drugs and a knife and for resisting arrest and Mr James McGill, aged 21, who was arrested for alleged theft.

The other five British fans are expected to appear in court today.

There is mounting criticism of the Belgian police for failing to arrest anyone for the riot although Mr Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb, the Interior Minister, said the police at the ground were too busy trying to save life to make arrests.

Detective Superintendent Bill Sargant was yesterday appointed to lead the Merseyside part of a three-nation investigation into the violence which erupted in Brussels on Wednesday. His brief will be to bring to justice the hooligans involved in fighting in the Heysel stadium.

NOP survey for The Times

Italians 'partly to blame'

By Colin Hughes

Two out of three Britons think that Italian supporters were prtly to blame for the riot at Heysel Stadium in Brussels last week, which led to 38 deaths, and nearly half think that either Juventus or all Italian clubs should also be banned from European competition as a punishment.

According to a National Opinion Poll survey published exclusively in *The Times* today, 24 per cent believe Juventus should be banned, and another 25 per cent want all Italian clubs banned. Support for a ban on Juventus was particularly strong among young people aged 15 to 24, the peak football-watching group, at 31 per cent.

The poll also finds strong views among the British public about the Belgian authorities' responsibility for the tragedy. Four out of five say they were ill-prepared for crowds and badly handled policing of the riot once it broke out.

If the European authorities enforce a ban on British clubs, should they also

	%
Ban Juventus	24
Ban all Italian clubs	25
Not ban any Italian clubs	34
Don't know	17

Do you approve or disapprove of the FA's decision to withdraw English teams from European competition for the next year at least?

	%
Approve	68
Disapprove	25
Don't know	7

Was the BBC right to show the match?

	%
Yes	67
No	27
Don't know	7

Revulsion for the Liverpool fans' responsibility is, none the less, clearly widespread: 68 per cent approved the Football Association's decision to withdraw English clubs from European competition, and 59 per cent support Uefa's total ban.

One in 10, however, believe that only Liverpool should have been banned, and 22 per cent think no ban should be enforced. Football supporters, in particular, supported a ban on English clubs more strongly than a general ban including all Britsh clubs.

Similarly, those who professed a keen interest in football were mor elikely to disapprove of the FA's move (39 per cent).

Younger people were also more critical of the Italian fans' role than the average. While 67 per cent overall believed the Italians were partly to blame, the figure rose to 73 per cent for those aged 15 to 24. Surprisingly, however, 27 per cent of football fans thought only the English were to blame, against 21 per cent overall.

Asked how well the Belgians handled arrangements for the match and the touble when it started, 28 per cent said "fairly badly", and 51 per cent said "very badly".

No excuse for riot House told

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- Belgians to be offered opportunity of transferring offenders given prison sentences in Belgium to prisons in Britain.

Mrs Thatcher supported the indefinite ban imposed by Uefa on English clubs.

"If English clubs are to play football in Europe again, they can do so only when their good name and that of their followers and supporters, has been restored," she said.

Mrs Thatcher said it was disappointing that so few of the offenders at Brussels had been apprehended, and called on people who were there and knew those who were responsible to come forward and help to bring them to justice.

Mr Kinnock said the proposals did not begin to match the scale of the crisis in football. Action was needed to identify and deal with the causes of hooliganism, to discover not only who was committing the crimes but why they committed them.

Mrs Thatcher said that an inquiry could go on for years and find as many answers as there were people on it.

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M Jean Defraigne, President of the French-speaking Liberal party, said in the Belgian Parliament yesterday afternoon that the Union of the European Football Associations and the Belgian government should pay compensation to the victims of the riots.

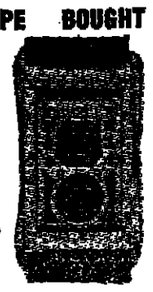
He said it was undeniable that the authorities had shown indecision and a lack of foresight.

- The British Boxing Board of Control has ordered that no alcohol shall be sold inside Queen's Park Rangers' football ground on Saturday night, when Barry McGuigan of Ireland challenges Eusebio Pedroza of Panama for the world featherweight title.
- Reports of anti-British violence in Italy after the riot should be taken with a "a large pinch of salt", the Association of British Travel Agents said yesterday.

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Driver of school coach had a stroke before crash, post-mortem tests show

The driver of the coach carrying a party of British schoolchildren, which crashed last week in the South of France, killing seven people, suffered a stroke just before the accident, the official post-mortem examination revealed.

M Edmond Steneger, public prosecutor of Alès near where the accident occurred, announced yesterday that the driver, Mr Harry Hughes, aged 39, who died in the crash, was the victim of a "haemorrhage encapsulating the brain stem", which had provoked a progressive paralysis of his body, as had been confirmed by several witnesses immediatley after the crash.

The stroke, which caused the driver to lose control of the coach just before a dangerous bend while it was travelling at a high speed, was the sole cause of the accident, M Steneger said. There was no trace of any alcohol in the driver's body, nor of any mechanical fault in the vehicle itself, he added.

● Dozens of schoolchildren left morning assembly yesterday in tears at one of the schools in St Albans, Hertfordshire, involved in the coach crash.

Children at Beaumont comprehensive school were given details of the accident during assembly and many wept as they left the hall.

Two girls, Jackie Francis, aged 17, of Sherwood Avenue, St Albans, and Ann Morris, aged 13, of Crouchmore Gardens, Redbourn, both from Beaumont, were among the seven victims of the crash near Montpellier on Wednesday, when their coach left the road and overturned as children from Beaumont and Verulam schools in St Albans were returning from an adventure holiday.

The others who died were Duncan Halstead, aged 13, of Lemsford Road, Matthias Lasky, aged 14, of upper heath Raod, and Stephen Eke, aged 14, of Jenkins Avenue, all pupils at Verulam school, from St Albans, Barbara Ericsson, a teacher, aged 28, also died.

One of the pupils who was among the 39 survivors, Graham Andrews, aged 14, suffered cuts to his face and head and a severed artery, and needed 49 stitches at a French hospital before he was allowed home late last week.

He said: "The coach veered off the road and I thought the driver had swerved to miss something. But we straightened up."

Then, he said, "The coach started to fall over and all I could hear was loud screaming."

Yesterday was the first day back at school for pupils after the half-term holiday. Industrial action by teachers has been halted at both schools.

All but four of the children were expected to return from France to the British Aerospace airfield at Hatfield later yesterday.

One of those left behind will be Andrea Perkins, aged 14, who is still on the critical list after a brain operation.

Mr Colin Isted, headmaster of Beaumont school, said: "The one thing outstanding at the moment is the courage that those children involved in the accident have shown – by the way in which those who were thrown out of the coach at the accident went back to help those still inside, the way they supported each other in hospital by encouraging and lifting spirits at important times.

"They are a tribute to themselves and their generation."

● One of the schoolchildren who died in the coach crash has been buried.

The service on Sunday for Matthias Lasky, aged 14, from Upper Heath, St Albans, was attended by his friends from Verulam School, and by his parents, Mr Daivd Lasky and Mrs Michelle Lasky, and his brother, Saul Lasky, aged 16. He was buried in the Jewish cemetery at Bushey.



Royal turn: Prince Edward performing a balancing act to entertain members of the Cambridge Youth Theatre, of which he is patron, during a visit to a drama workshop.

Survey on health to involve 35,000

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

Major projects aimed at reducing Britain's annual toll of 140,000 deaths from heart disease were launched yesterday, including one of the country's biggest-ever health surveys.

Despite many successes in research and treatment, Britain has one of the world's worst records for heart disease, which kills more than twice as many people as cancer and claims one life prematurely every four minutes.

In the next few weeks, in Wales, 35,000 people, aged between 12 and 64, will be asked to complete questionnaires about their diet, lifestyle, smoking habits and attitudes towards their health.

The survey, one of the biggest of its kind, is part of a £1.5 million, five-year project. Wales has been chosen for the study, funded by the Health Education Council and the Welsh Office, because of its record of 210,000 heart disease deaths every year.

In a separate initiative, the British Heart Foundation launched its "research saves lives" National campaign, which includes the third and final phase of another important survey.

Men in 24 towns in England, Wales and Scotland are being examined for risk factors such as blood pressure, smoking and blood cholesterol, along with environmental factors such as water supply, rainfall and temperature.

"We are trying to explain the striking geographic variations in death rates from heart disease in Britain," Professor Gerald Shaper, of the Royal Free Hospital, London, who is heading the £240,000 study, said.

The foundation is trying to draw attention to the scale of heart disease and the ways in which it can be tackled, by issuing ore than two million publicity packs this week.

Children's home head jailed for sex offences

Ronald Cooper, aged 56, of Coleridge Way, Orpington, Kent, head of a Lewisham Council home for disturbed children, who admitted a series of sex offences involving young boys in his care, was jailed for four years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Cooper, who had been working for 17 years at the home in Edward Road, Bromley, Kent, took thousands of "revolting" photographs of naked children, some as young as five-years-old, the court was told.

A single man, with an "exemplary" previous character, admitted specimen charges of taking and distributing indecent pictures between 1979 and 1982. He also admitted inciting two boys aged five to take part in indecent acts and sexually assaulting a boy aged 11.

Mr Timothy Landale, for the prosecution, said that the police found 34 albums full of pictures, hidden at Cooper's home. The albums had been carefully indexed.

He had been arrested after a year-long police operation, code named "Circus", into male prostitution in the West End. Cooper had nothing to do with that, but police found information which led them to him.

250 Stonehenge cases start

People arrested in the battle for Stonehenge arrived in court by the coachload yesterday as magistrates began hearing evidence against about 250 of more than 500 in custody. They were appearing in courts in Eastleigh, Portsmouth, Southampton and Winchester in Hampshire and at Salisbury, Wiltshire.

In Salisbury, the accused were arriving in coaches at the police station where they were being dealt with two at a time by magistrates.

According to police, about 550 people had been arrested in the operation to prevent the staging of an illegal pop festival at the ancient monument on Salisbury Plain. Of these, 510 were arrested during Saturday's clashed between police and hippies from a "peace convoy" at Cholderton, 10 miles from Stonehenge.

The accused face charges of obstruction, assault, unlawful assembly and obstructing the police.

Many of those appearing at Salisbury were being given bail on condition that they do not go within a 25-mile radius of Stonehenge, which includes Savernake Forest where the peace convoy orginally formed.

Police said that so many people were arrested that they had been held eight to a cell at various police stations over the weekend. Magistrates at Salisbury are expected to sit throughout this week.

The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission, which owns Stonehenge, and the National Trust, which owns the 1,500 acres around it, had won High Court injunctions banning an annual pop festival held at Stonehenge for the past 21 years.

● The battered remnants of the peace convoy has been given temporary sanctuary by the Lord Cardigan at a camp on his family land at Savernake Forest, near Marlborough, Wiltshire.

About 100 people are camped at the site on the edge of the main A336 Salisbury Road. The campers believe at least a dozen children are "missing". They were thought to have been taken into care by the social services.

Teenage rapist strikes again

A youth aged 17 and nicknamed the "teenage fox", who raped a babysitter aged 11 at knifepoint, has raped a girl aged 15 in Lacock near Chippenham, Wiltshire.

The girl was able to tell detectives that the attacker now has a golden labrador with him. The attack on Sunday come after a three-week search by police in the West Country where the rapist has been leading a fox-style existence living rough in wooded countryside.

Bank and chemist in Tesco's £20m store

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

Tesco Stores opens its hundredth superstore in the United Kingdom today at Brent Park, Neasden north-west London said to be the biggest of its kind in the Capital with a bank and a pharmacy in the store as well as petrol selling at prices below many in surrounding area.

Sir Leslie Porter, who retires as Tesco's chairman next month at a preview, said yesterday that transformation of old railway land off the North Circular road had taken seven years' negotiation and hard work, the total cost running at about £20 million. He added: "Brent Park sets new standards in retailing and will be something of a flagship for Tesco and for our industry."

Tesco is Britain's biggest superstore operator. Asda, based in Leeds, which is part of Associated Dairies Group, has 85 superstores, with more being opened in the South. J Sainsbury, Britain's biggest grocer, has 77 outlets in the superstore style in the United Kingdom.

Brent Park has 63,000 sq ft of selling space and free parking for more than 1,100 cars, all on one level.

It has free bus services but is clearly aimed at the shopper with a car and shows how Tesco is still moving up-market from its old "cheap and cheerful" image.

Half the store is given over to food and drink with the emphasis on quality fresh foods including exotic vegetables such as cassavas and yams. Clothing and footwear, an instore bakery and a consumer advisory kitchen are other features.

The first of three experimental banking outlets operated by Midland Bank will offer financial services including mortgages and insurance, and issue Thomas Cook traveller's cheques.

Institute calls for 25mph cars

By Michael Horsnell

A new category of car capable of a maximum speed of 25 mph and especially designed to limit damage to cyclists and pedestrians in an accident should be recognized by the government, the Policy Studies Institute said yesterday.

The measure would reduce danger and environmental intrusion as well as extend the use of cars to people who cannot afford them now, it adds.

The proposal is made in a PSI study which shows how transport could be made more efficient for users while reducing costs in resources, accidents and pollution.

The new car, which would probably be electrically propelled, would attract favourable licensing, taxation and traffic management for users.

It would not be permitted on motorways and 16-year-olds should be allowed to drive it, the report says.

Transport Reform: Changing the Rules, by Stephen Plowden (Policy Studies Institute) £6.50.

● **New regulations for stricter standards of fire-resistant passenger seats on British aircraft were announced yesterday by the Civil Aviation Authority.**

Studies of fires arising from aircraft crashes have shown that the flammability of seat upholstery is an important factor in spreading a cabin fire.

By July 1, 1986, all newly manufactured seats will have to comply with the new standards while other aircraft will have to have been converted by December 1, 1987.

ITV offers 'Dallas' back to BBC at cut price

By Our Arts Correspondent

Thames Television confirmed yesterday that it was discussing with the BBC the sale of *Dallas*, the popular American soap opera, as a way out of the impasse within independent television about screening the series.

But the move may be opposed by the series' distributors, Worldvision, which claims that it can prevent the sale. The American company believes that the BBC paid too little for *Dallas* in the past.

The station believes that many of the independent television companies which say they will not show *Dallas* are likely to change their minds.

Thames is paying about £55,000 an episode for the antics of JR and the rest of the Ewing clan, compared to the £43,000 which the BBC was offering. But it may offer the series to the corporation at a reduced price.

Co-op set for travel expansion

By Our Commercial Editor

Co-op Travel, the retail travel agency chain which is part of the Co-operative Wholesale Society (CWS), has expansion plans to put it among the leading travel agents in Britain.

The group operates 72 outlets, having recently gained 25 branches of the former Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society which merged its south London operation with CWS.

Now CWS plans to increase the number of Co-op Travel outlets to at least 100 within 18 months, partly by acquisition.

Most existing outlets are self-standing, but some are within Co-op stores. The biggest concentration of outlets apart from London, is in the Midlands and the North-west.

About fifty furthe travel outlets are operated by some of the 100 co-operative retail societies. The North-east society has 14 outlets. Leading retail agents such as Thomas Cook, Pickfords Travel and Hogg Robinson each have about 200 branches.

Breeder is banned after Pekinese show fracas

Judging was held up in the Pekinese dog section at Bournemouth Canine Association Show in August last year after a breeder started shouting and swearing at competitors, a Kennel Club hearing was told yesterday.

The general committee decided that four complaints against Mrs Barbara Lashmar, of Woodhatch Road, Redhill, Surrey, was justified and that she had discredited the canine world.

She was banned for 10 years from judging, exhibiting or attending dog shows. Mrs Lashmar did not attend the hearing.

The hearing was told that Mrs Lashmar's remarks sent Miss Adele Summers out of the ring in tears with her dog, Modesty Permits.

Miss Summers, of Berrylands Farm, Stanford, Purbright, Surrey, said that Mrs Lashmar was sitting near the judges and was saying in a loud voice that Miss Summers's dog was a " – cripple".

As she walked the dog around the ring she heard Mrs Lashmar saying: "Anybody that gives that dog a ticket is a – crook". She said: "I was very embarrassed. I asked the judge if I could be excused from the ring."

Her partner, Miss Vandella Williams, of the same address, said she went up to Mrs Lashmar and asked her to stop using foul language. Miss Williams said: "She said I won only because I have paid or slept for my wins. She was speaking very loudly.

"I had had abuse from Mrs Lashmar over many years. Every time we beat her we get this abuse."

Mr Terence Nethercott, of Carfax Road, Hayes, Middlesex, said he had to get between Mrs Lashmar and Miss Williams and take Mrs Lashmar away before things got out of control.

Mrs Lashmar's daughter Carol, aged 32, who is also a show judge, for Pekinese dogs, said yesterday: "My mother could not attend the hearing because she is in hospital with terminal cancer. She is 63 and this ban is disgusting for something which was mainly loss of temper."

Less sugar eaten, more cheese and chips

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

If Britons are switching towards what is nowadays held to be a healthier diet, they are doing so only slowly and to no obvious pattern, a government report published today suggests.

The Ministry of Agriculture's annual statistical survey of household food purchases for 1983 shows a decline in the consumption of milk, cream, sugar and red meat, and an increase in fish, poultry, fresh fruit and wholemeal bread.

But sales of butter and cheese also increased, and people bought more chips and frozen and processed vegetables at the expense of the fresh product.

The most notable drop was in consumption of beef, pork and lamb from 14.67 oz to 13.97 oz a person a week, the lowest since 1973. The Meat and Livestock Commission is spending £6 million this year on a campaign to counter the trend towards vegetarianism.

There was also a pronounced increase in sales of skimmed and semi-skimmed milk, while those of full-cream milk continued to decline. Consumption of fish, at more than 5.1 oz a person a week was the highest since 1970.

It is believed that changes in dietary habits may have accelerated the the past year or so because of increased publicity. But the ministry does not take into account "fast food" take-away sales, which are not recommended by health experts and which are also on the increase.

Household Food Consumption and Expenditure 1983. (Stationery Office, £16.95).

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PM outlines steps to curb football violence: ban put on alcohol

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The Government is to introduce as soon as possible legislation similar to that in the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1980 making it an offence to be drunk or to possess alcohol on football coaches, on entry to grounds and in most areas of grounds.

This was announced by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in a Commons statement outlining measures to be put in hand to deal with football violence in the aftermath of the riotous behaviour by football supporters at the European Cup final between Liverpool and Juventus in Brussels last Wednesday when 38 people died.

She said the 1980 Act also made it an offence to be in possession of containers, it was intended to have the new legislation on the Statute Book by the summer recess, in time for the coming football season.

Mrs Thatcher said she knew the whole house would share the nation's profound sympathy for the bereaved and injured and the sense of outrage and shame at the behaviour "of some of our citizens which led to the tragedy. In exchanges with Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, she said the only three ways of dealing with the violence in human nature were persuasion, prevention and punishment. We shall (she went on) try to operate all three.

She also said: The Belgian authorities and Uefa (Union of European Football Associations) are conducting formal inquiries into the arrangements for the match and into the disaster. They will no doubt report on the extent to which the internationally agreed guidelines and precautions for spectator safety were followed.

We cannot prejudice the outcome of those inquiries. But we have to recognise that there has been a terrible record of violence at European football matches in which I regret to say that English supporters have played a large part over many years.

In these circumstances, the Government welcomed the initial decision of the Football Association to withdraw English clubs from participation in European competitions next season, and we fully understand the subsequent decision of Eufa to ban English clubs from European competition for an indefinite period and we believe it to be right.

This withdrawal gives English football authorities the opportunity to introduce effective measures to combat violence and to convince other countries that they have done so.

After announcing the legislation to ban alcohol from football grounds, Mrs Thatcher said they would also proceed next session with the legislation envisaged in the Government's White Paper on the review of public order. The proposals on assemblies in the open air will considerably strengthen the powers available to the police to guard against the risk of disorder.

Wherever they have reason to expect disorder at a football match the police will, in effect, be able to limit the gate and impose other conditions. Under this provision, the police should be able to stipulate whatever steps they judge necessary to minimize the risk of disorder.

Mr Justice Popplewell will continue with his inquiry into the events at Bradford City and Birmingham football grounds on May 11. His terms of reference are already wide enough to allow any lessons learned from Brussels to be taken into account. I understand that Mr Justice Popplewell hopes to submit an interim report before the beginning of next season.

The Government has set in hand the procedure for designating under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act, all clubs in the third and fourth divisions.

We have, in addition, agreed with the Football Authorities on a number of measures including the acceleration of the introduction of closed circuit television, with the help of the Football Trust. I have been informed today taht the trust is proposing to allocate £500,000 for this purpose as a first step.

This would give cover in over 30 grounds in addition to the 11 in which experiments are already taking place.

Events at Brussels last week have, however, made it clear that more is now needed.

I shall be discussing urgently with the Football Authorities proposals for:

- The introduction of a practical scheme of membership cards, either on a club or national basis.
- Proposals for a far more all-ticket matches.
- Stricter controls, or in some cases a ban, on visiting spectators.

I recognise (she went on) that such measures would mean a radical change in the way in which football is conducted in this country. But radical change is needed if football is to survive as a spectator sport.

In parallel with out own action, we shall continue to co-operate in developing international measures to deal with hooliganism.

Next week, the Minister for Sport (Mr Neil Mcfarlane) will be attending a meeting of European Ministers for that purpose.

In the meantime, we are anxious to give the Brussels authorities every possible assistance in bringing to justice and dealing appropriately with people from this country who have committed offences in connection with last Wednesday's match.

The Home Secretary has sent a message to the Belgian Minister of the Interior offering the assistance and co-operation of British police forces. The Merseyside Police and the Metropolitan Police are examining television film closely to see if they can identify those responsible for last Wednesday's violence.

We also want to do everything within our power to remove any possible difficulty in the way of any charges the Belgian authorities may decide to bring.

Arrangements already exist between the United Kingdom and Belgium for the extradition of those accused of serious offences of violence such as murder, manslaughter, wounding or serious assault. If the Belgian authorities were to seek the extradition of someone accused of such an offence, we should naturally give them every assistance to meet our requirements on evidence.

One disincentive for the Belgian authorities may be that it is less trouble simply to expel Britons who may have committed offences rather than to prosecute and sentence them appropriately. We intend to offer the Belgians the opportunity, in accordance with the Repatriation of Prisoners Act, of removal to prison in this country of anyone who may be given a prison sentence in Belgium.

I hope that last Wednesday's sickening events will unite all decent people in helping to eradicate hooliganism to curb violence requires effort and commitment from us all.

If English clubs are to play football in Europe again, they can do so only whenn their good name, and that of their followers and supporters, has been restored.

Mr Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, said they supported the decision to bring in legislation similar to that in Scotland but were surprised by the rather restricted action being proposed by the Government and disappointed by the decision to extend the Popplewell inquiry beyond its already stretched limits.



Carlisle: Listened in vain for severe penalties

We need (he said) a firm assurance that the Popplewell report will come in time for proposals to be implemented before that season begins and that any necessary resources will be available for practical implementation.

On the problems of football and football hooliganism, will the Prime Minister bring forward proposals to ensure that some of the revenue taken out of the game is returned in the form of improved safety and security at football grounds?

Action was needed to identify and deal with the causes of hooliganism. It was essential to discover not only who was committing the crimes but why they committed such crimes.

Can we (he asked) look forward to a quick and thorough investigation with that in view which would involve the police, youth and social workers and others with direct, practical experience week to week of dealing with the issues posed by the spread of thuggery?

If it was the case that any of this thuggery was related in any way to political organizations – racists, fascists or anyone else – that must be among the areas to be inquired into.

It must be their determined purpose to ensure that the thuggish minority that was a stain on British football and society had had its day and would never be permitted to show its ugly face again.

Mrs Thatcher said she could not speed up the rate at which Mr Justice Popplewell would report. She understood it was his intention to have an interim report before the beginning of next season.

There are (she said) considerable sums already going into football. We are prepared to allocate more should the result of that committee under the chairmanship of the Minster of Sport find it necessary. An inquiry into crime and hooliganism could go on and on for years and find as many answers as there were people on such an inquiry.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab), who said his constituency included the grounds of both Liverpool and Everton football clubs, said there was a deep feeling of grief among the people of Liverpool. He had expressed to the Italian ambassador – it was Italian day – that the people of Liverpool had as much grief in their hearts as the people of Milan and Turin.

But I ask the Prime Minister (he went on) do not be involved in any cover-up of some of the terrible things that have happened.

Many people have run away from their responsibilities – the Belgium authorities. What about the fact that the ground was unsuitable? (Conservative interuptions). What about the fact that the police action was insufficient to deal with the outbreak?

Mrs Thatcher: We cannot prejudge the results of the inquiry by Belgium. Some of the things to which Mr Heffer refers would not be necessary unless there were soccer hooliganism. It is appalling that supporters of one club cannot stand by supporters of another club without there being fear of violence.

Mr David Ashby (North West Leicestershire, C) Why when we talk about giving help to the police in Belgium, were there not on Thursday morning hundreds of police officers and detectives at all points of entry finding out the names and addresses of those returning for further inquiry?

Mrs Thatcher: Our police are giving every possible assistance, not only in looking at videos but they have also been active at some of the ports of entry on return.

Mr John Carlisle (Luton North, C) said he had listened in vain to Mrs Thatcher's statement for some idea of the severe penalties that might be imposed on football hooligans. Nowhere was there anything that penalties would put upon them the physical pain they so readily put upon others.

Mrs Thatcher: The penalties available are already severe. Those meeted out at Cambridge a fortnight ago were of the order of five years' imprisonment. We all thought they were appropriate sentences. There could, of course, be even more severe sentences.

I believe recent events will probably mean heavier sentences are meeted out and that will be right.

Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Edmunds, C): The police are fed up with being treated as the poor bloody infantry. They are asking for powers to search for liqour, weapons and drugs and the power to be able to ban a match if those going to it are a clear threat to public order.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the police would have increased powers under the proposed legislation. They already had the power to search people under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act.

She added that the legislation would not only bring in measures similar to those in force in Scotland but also ban the supply of alcohol on trains.

Mr Kinnock said his Party wanted to co-operate as much as possible on improving legislation but Mrs Thatcher had given no indication of co-operation between the various bodies, no undertaking about finance and no undertaking about investigating the cause of the violence.

Mrs Thatcher said there was a co-ordinating committee on finance. There had been books and papers on the causes of violence which had not found the answer. They did not need another inquiry.

System in danger of breakdown

SOCIAL SECURITY

Faced with the danger that some parts of the social security system would breakdown as it was too complex, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, in a long statement on the outcome of the review of social security and the Green Paper just published, said it was a matter of urgency that a simpler and more coherent system was devised.

He announced that the Government proposed to introduce a new benefit, to be called Family Credit, to provide better help for poor working families with children. Family Income Supplement would be abolished. It was also proposed to replace supplementary benefit with a new Income Support system.

After indicating changes in the housing benefit system and the basis on which help was provided with rates – here the Government have it in mind to make everyone be directly responsible for something like 20 per cent of domestic rates as long as they remain, Mr Fowler outlined pensions changes which he said meant that no one retiring during the rest of this century would be affected; neither would any existing pensioner.

He declared: It would be an abdication of responsibility to hand down obligations to our children which we believe they cannot fulfil: Mr Fowler, in his statement said the Government remained committed to the concept of a national insurance system under which entitlement to the major benefits was earned by the payment of contributions during a working life. The Government also believed that the tradition of state support for those in need was one which should be maintained and developed.

But social security (he went on) is not a function of the state alone. It should be a partnership between the individual and the state – a system built on twin pillars.

The social security system is not properly coordinated with the tax system and operates with outdated equipment. We now need a major computerisation strategy for social security which can link effectively with other Government systems including that of the Inland Revenue.

In terms of spending, the cost of the social security system has increased five-fold in real terms since the war and now totals some £40 billion a year. That is over 30 per cent of all public spending and represents over 11 per cent of gross domestic product compared with only 4.7 per cent after the war. Nor has the pressure for growth in spending ended.

In the first part of the next century we need to provide for an extra four million pensioners. That, taken together with the state earnings related pension scheme (Serps) means that spending on pensions will at least treble, we must ensure now that we have a soundly based social security system which the country can afford.

The new Family Credit will have three main features. It will be paid on the same basis as help to unemployed families, in that help will be related to the age of children. It will be related to take-home pay not gross earnings, as happens with Family Income Supplement. And it will be paid by employers through the pay packet.

Family Credit will be paid in addition to child benefit. The Government believe that the extra responsibilities carried by all those bringing up children should be recognised. Child benefit will, therefore, continue to be paid for all children irrespective of the means of the family.

Family Credit will be part of a coherent system of income-related benefits. That system, covering basic income support, assistance with housing costs and help for low income families, will be based on a common income test and a common structure. It will be simpler, fairer and easier to administer; and it will provide the same level of help at the same level of income for those in and out of work.

The central concept of the income support scheme is that the regular extra payments now made on the basis of detailed individual assessment should be absorbed into the main rates of benefit. Those rates will provide a special higher level of benefit for pensioners, the long term sick and disabled and lone parents.

Instead of the present single payments system we propose to set up a social fund which will be operated on a discretionary basis by specially trained staff at DHSS local offices. It will provide emergency help where needed and help those who face particular difficulties.

We also expect that the social fund will, in time, provide a better basis for contributing cash help to enable people to be cared for in the community rather than in institutions.

He was also publishing the report of the housing benefit review team and he said he had accepted most of their recommendations. The review team found that housing benefit was excessively complicated, involving six different tapers applied to different groups at different income levels. It was also expensive and poorly targeted with over one-third of all households – some with incomes up to average earnings – receiving benefit.

We intend to move to a simpler, clearer system (he went on). It will be based on the same net income assessment basis as the income support and family credit systems. It will also provide help on the basis of rent and rates together rather than separately as at present. For the poorest families, housing benefit will meet 100 per cent of rent. At present 100 per cent help goes only to those on supplementary benefit. In future it will apply equally to those in and out of work.

We believe, however, that the basis on which help is provided with rates needs to be changed. At present some seven million householders receive help with some or all of their rate bills and over three million householders pay no rates at all. As a result a large proportion of people live in households in which no rates are paid. This means that there is no effective link between payment for and use of local services.

The whole structure of rates is currently under review but the Government believe that, so long as domestic rates remain, all householders should be directly responsible for making some payment towards them. The Government have in mind a figure of the order of 20 per cent.

The review also examined the contributory national insurance benefits for unemployment, maternity and widowhood. We propose no change in unemployment benefit which will continue to be paid for twelve months.

For widows under 60, we propose to replace the widow's allowance currently payable for the first six months after bereavement by a single lump sum payment of £1,000 to give them more help when it is most needed. In addition, widowed mother's allowance will now be paid from the time of bereavement rather than after six months as at present.

Widow's pension will also be paid from the time of bereavement but the rules of eligibility will be modified to concentrate help more on older widows who are least likely to be able to resume work. The changes will not affect the benefit paid to any existing widows.

In maternity, we propose to adjust the rules governing maternity allowance so that the mother can have greater freedom in choosing when, around the time of her confinement, she wishes to be paid the allowance. We also intend to change the qualification period so that the benefit is more likely to be paid to women who have had to give up work in order to have their baby.

The maternity grant and the death grant have been left at their present level – £25 and £30 respectively – for more years and are now quite inadequate for the purposes. The average cost of a funeral is now over ten times as much as the death grant and it costs £20 in administration to pay out each £30 grant. We propose instead a new maternity grant of £75 – three times the level of the present grant – available to all low income families.

Help with the full cost of funerals will also be made available more widely than at present to anybody who has responsibility for a funeral and lacks the resources to pay for it.

The largest single area of social security spending is on pensions. The basic pension alone accounts for over £15 billion a year and is paid to nine million people. That pension accounts, on average, for half the income of pensioners and has been a major factor in raising pensioners' living standards since the War. It is, and must remin, the basis in which individuals can build additional pension provision. The question is how that extra provision should be made.

At present only about half the working population belong to occupational pension schemes. The development of occupational pension schemes has been an important factor in improving living standards since the War. But the coverage of schemes has not increased since the mid-1960s.

The analysis undertaken during the review has shown that the number of pensioners for whom we will eventually need to provide is three million greater than was recognized in 1974 and five million higher than it is today. It is clear, therefore, that the long term cost of state pensions is set to rise steeply in



Foot: How much money will be saved?

the first thirty years of the next century.

If the basic pension was uprated in line with prices then its cost would increase in real terms by half to £22 billion. If it kept pace with earnings the cost would treble to nearly £45 billion. On top of that, the cost of the state earning related scheme will add another £23 billion.

Thus, the total pensions bill will at least treble and could increase by over four times. At the same time the ratio of contributors to pensioners will worsen and it is estimated that there will be only 1.6 contributors for each pensioner compared with 2.3 now.

As a country we cannot ignore these emerging costs. If the best estimates available to us lead us to question whether we will be able to afford the promises we are making then we have a duty to re-examine the position.

The real question is not whether action should be taken on the state earnings related scheme, but what action. There are those who argue that we should restrict the emerging cost of the state scheme by changing its provisions. The difficulty of that course is that contributions would remain the same while benefits would be reduced. There is no reason to believe that there would be any increase in occupational pensions to fill that gap.

The Government have concluded that it would be better to adopt a different approach. This would be based on the aim of ensuring that in addition to the basic pension everyone has his own pension with his job – whether it be an occupational pension, membership of an industry-wide scheme or a personal pension. In all cases every employee would have the right to a contribution from his employer.

We recognize, however, that relatively older workers would have difficulty in building up an adequate occupational pension cover. We have decided, therefore, not to make any changes for those within fifteen years of retirement. For men aged 50 or over and women aged 45 and over at the time of implementation the existing state earning related arrangements will continue. This means that no-one retiring during the rest of this century will be affected by the change and neither will any existing pensioner.

All rights built up in the state scheme at the time of the change will be honoured. In addition, we also intend to give a special enhancement of rights for men aged between 40 and 49 and women aged 35 to 44. They will be given a bonus of added years of entitlement which will give them higher pensions when they eventually retire.

For those to be covered by the new arrangements the Government will lay down a minimum contribution level of 4 per cent of earnings at least half of which must be provided by the employer. The new arrangements will be phased in over three years.

These changes will mean that in due course all employees will be contributing to their own additional pension through their jobs. This will represent the biggest ever extension of occupational pension coverage

Mr Michael Meacher, chief Opposition spokesman on health and social security said the package would bring about a net loss to pensioners and the unemployed of at least £1,000 million a year in the next few years, even before the huge losses from the abolition of Serps began. The main beneficiaries (he went on) will be the rich who will receive even bigger tax handouts in future Tory Budgets.

We welcome the Government's limited reprieve of Serps in response to our demands – (loud Conservative laughter) – but the long-term abolition of Serps – the central arch of the welfare state – is still a betrayal of an unequivocal pledge given by the Prime Minister three weeks before the last general election. There can be no justification for claiming Serps cannot be afforded in the next century.

Mr Fowler: We have had a typically hysterical response from him. I am grateful for what I take to be his endorsement of my proposals on Serps for the rest of this century and grateful for the generous way in which he endorsed it. (Laughter)

Mr Michael Foot (Blaenau Gwent, Lab): When were these proposals forecast and explained during the last election, and what is the figure of savings of social security benefit Mr Fowler aims to secure?

Mr Fowler: We made clear when the inquiry into social security was set up that I and the Government intended to have a fundamental review.

The emphasis in the Green Paper is on the new structure and until it is settled it is impossible to provide any detailed analysis because it depends on benefit rates set in 1987.

Changes in supplementary benefits sector are not intended to reduce overall benefit provided. We expect spending on housing benefit eventually to be reduced by about £500m.

Production of coal at high level

COAL INDUSTRY

Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, strongly disputed the contention of Mr Stanley Orme, chief Opposition spokesman, on energy, at question time in the Commons, that industrial relations in the coal industry were at an extremely low level.

Mr Orme asserted that the National Coal Board had deliberately "stirred the matter up" and done nothing to get normal relations working. To this Mr Walker replied that in the majority of pits there was normal relations. Productivity and coal production were at a high level and he was sorry Mr Orme was not more positive and encouraging more workers to return to normal.

Former Minister of Power and Miners' MP, Mr Roy Mason (Barnsley, Lab) was accused of inflammatory language after saying that the coal industry was on the brink of a national strike.

Mr Mason said: When the minister next meets the chairman of the National Coal Board will he draw his attention to the severe breakdown in industrial relations caused by the stupid and outdated attitude of the chairman (Mr Ian MacGregor) and his deputy (Mr J R Cowan) who have forced local union officials to work five days a week underground and put them on a three shift system?

They have disturbed the National Association of Colliery Overmen, Deputies and Shotfirers (Nacods) and misled them, and we are hovering once more on the brink of a national strike. What will the minister do to rectify the situation and get a grip on it?

Mr David Hunt, Under Secretary for Energy: I hope that, when he has carefully considered what he has said, Mr Mason will realize that it was wrong and in bad taste to use such inflammatory language at such a crucial stage in the present situation.

He should take the opportunity to go underground as I have, at Point of Ayr and Selby, when he will hear from the men underground that all they want to do is to put the tragic strike behind them and work for the future of the industry.

Mr Michael Foot (Blaenau Gwent, Lab) said later: What Mr Mason has said represents the widespread feeling throughout the coalfields – that the chairman is utterly distrusted and is making a major contribution to the dispute.

We all know that Mr Walker too has had his disputes with Mr MacGregor. The chairman was so insulting at the end of the dispute to say that Mr Walker had nothing to do with the conduct of the whole dispute. That was misleading the country. Could Mr Walker intervene? He had never wanted Mr MacGregor there so he should be got rid of.

Mr Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, said that at most coalfields production had returned to normal levels, and production at many was high, so it was distorting the picture to say there was great discontent in the coalfields. Deliveries were reaching good levels.

He was sorry that there was any damage done to the full recovery of the industry which was necessary if industrialists and others were to be persuaded to convert to coal.

Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, Lab): During the dispute the Secretary of State allowed pledges to be given to Nacods on almost any terms to get the dispute ended. Now the dispute is over Nacods feels betrayed by the coal board chairman and the Government.

Mr Walker: That is untrue. The agreement on a modified procedure had been virtually reached before the Nacods overtime ban took place and was in accordance with the procedures.

He had met Nacods leaders for two hours. They had asked him for two particular things to be fulfilled and both had been fulfilled.

Tamils decision defended

IMMIGRATION

Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, said in the Commons that it was only with great reluctance that he had decided that it was necessary to impose a visa requirement for citizens of Sri Lanka, a fellow Commonwealth country.

The need for it would be kept under review and he hoped it could be lifted in due course, he said in a statement on policy towards Sri Lankan Tamils who expressed a fear of return to Sri Lanka.

Mr Alfred Dubs, Opposition spokesman on immigration, said this represented a major departure from two important traditions. For the first time Commonwealth citizens would require a visa to enter Britain; and the British tradition of offering a haven and hospitality to those seeking asylum had been breached.

Peers on magical mystery tour

HOUSE OF LORDS

"Fasten your seat belts as I take you on a magical mystery tour of the Social Security Bill", Lady Trumpington, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said to laughter when opening the second reading debate on the Bill in the House of Lords.

The issues involved were tremendously complex, she said, but the resulting benefits would do a great deal of good for a great many people.

The principles involved were central to the Government's philosophy of improving job prospects, particularly for the young. The Government was also determined to improve incentives by increasing the rewards for employment at modest levels of earnings.

There was a need to ensure all unnecessary artificial barriers to job mobility were removed. The Government also believed in allowing occupational and sick pay schemes to operate effectively and efficiently. The Government wanted, where possible, to give people the maximum freedom of choice by making easily available to them the appropriate information on the various schemes.

It was clear that the poor deal received by many early leavers of pension schemes could be a powerful disincentive to job mobility and this was tackled in the Bill.

Lord Stallard (Lab) said there were a number of points in the Bill which could be given a qualified welcome, but in the context of the coming onslaught on the social security system it amounted to little more than a paving measure.

Millions would mourn

TRIBUTES

Tributes were paid in the House of Lords to Lord George-Brown, the SDP peer whose death had been announced earlier in the day.

Lord Diamond, leader of the SDP group, said he always profoundly admired Lord George-Brown's great intellect and his capacity for warmth of friendship. He made contact with millions of people throughout the country who would mourn his passing.

Viscount Whitelaw, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Lords, said he had spent many years in the House of Commons with Lord George-Brown and had always enjoyed the robustness of his debate.

Although also feeling the strength of his tongue on occasions, that did not detract from the feeling that Lord George-Brown had been the type of strong, colourful character that British politics could do with more of.

Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, leader of the Opposition peers, said many people both inside and outside Parliament had regarded Lord George-Brown as one of the more significant political figures

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Determination of continental shelf rights

Continental Shelf (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya/Malta)

Before Judge Elias, President, Judge Sette-Camara, Vice President, and Judges Lachs, Mozorov, Nagendra Singh, Ruda, Mosler, Oda, Ago, El-Khani, Schwebel, Jennings, Ladreit de Lacherrière, Mbaye, Bedjaoui, Valticos and Jiménez de Aréchaga

[Judgement delivered June 3]

The parties agreed that the dispute was to be governed by customary international law. Malta was a party to the 1958 Geneva Convention on the continental shelf, while Libya was not. Both parties had signed the 1982 United Nations convention on the law of the sea, but that convention had not yet entered into force. However, the parties were in accord in considering that some of its provisions constituted an expression of customary law while holding different views as to which provisions had that status.

On the legal basis of titles to continental shelf rights the parties were irreconcilable. For Libya, the natural prolongation of the land territory of a state into the sea remained the fundamental basis of legal title. For Malta, continental shelf rights were no longer defined in the light of physical criteria; they were controlled by the concept of distance from the coast.

In the view of the court the principles underlying the regime of the exclusive economic zone could not be left out of consideration. One of the relevant circumstances to be taken into account for the delimitation of the continental shelf of a state was the legally permissible extent of the exclusive economic zone appertaining to that state. The institution of the exclusive economic zone with its rule on entitlement by reason of distance was shown by the practice of the states to have become part of customary law. The rights which the exclusive economic zone entailed over the seabed were defined by reference to the regime laid down for the continental shelf. Although there could be a continental shelf where there was no exclusive economic zone, there could not be an exclusive economic zone without a corresponding continental shelf.

It followed that for juridical and practical reasons, the distance criterion must apply to the continental shelf as well as to the exclusive economic zone. The court was thus unable to accept the Libyan contention that distance from the coast was not relevant.

According to Libya, there were two distinct continental shelves divided by what is called the rift zone and it was within, and following the general direction of, the rift zone that the delimitation should be carried out.

The court took the view that since the development of the law enabled a state to claim continental shelf up to 200 miles from its coast whatever the geological characteristics, there was no reason to ascribe any role to geological or geophysical factors.

Since in the present instance the distance between the coasts of the parties was less than 400 miles the rift zone could not constitute a fundamental discontinuity terminating the southward extension of the Maltese shelf and the northward extension of the Libyan as if it were some natural boundary.

The need to interpret the evidence advanced for and against the Libyan argument would compel the court to make a determination upon a disagreement between scientists of distinction as to the more plausibly correct interpretation of apparently incomplete scientific data – a position which it could not accept. It therefore rejected the rift zone argument of Libya.

Malta considered that the distance principle required that as a starting point of the delimitation process consideration must be given to an equidistance line subject to verification of the equitableness of the result achieved by this initial delimitation. The court was unable to accept that the equidistance method was one which must necessarily be used. Moreover, the court considered that the practice of states in this field fell short of proving the existence of a rule prescribing the use of equidistance or indeed of any method, as obligatory.

The parties agreed that the delimitation of the continental shelf must be effected by the application of equitable principles in all the relevant circumstances in order to achieve an equitable result.

Some of those principles were: 1. there was to be no question of refashioning geography; 2. non-encroachment by one party on areas appertaining to the other; 3. the respect due to all relevant circumstances; 4. equity did not necessarily imply equality; 5. there could be no question of distributive justice.

The court considering the relevant circumstances rejected Libya's argument that a state with greater land mass would have a greater claim to the continental shelf and rejected Malta's argument that a delimitation should be influenced by the relative economic position of the two states.

The court noted that the delimitation which would result from the present judgment was not so near the coast of either party as to make security or defence a particular consideration of its coast and also that, Malta being independent, the relationship of its coast with the coast of its neighbours was different from what it would be if it were part of the territory of one of them.

The court rejected another argument of Malta derived from the sovereign equality of states, whereby the maritime extensions generated by the sovereignty of each state must be of equal juridical value whatever the length of the coasts.

In order to apply equitable principles the court considered that the tracing of the median line between the coasts of Malta and Libya was the most judicious manner of proceeding with a view to the eventual achievement of an equitaable result.

The equidistance method had to be demonstrated to lead to an equitable result. The court found it equitable not to take account of the uninhabited Maltese island of Filfla in the construction of the provisional median in order to eliminate the disproportionate effect which it might have.

The court noted a disparity in the length of the relevant coasts of the parties. The Maltese coasts was 24 miles long and the Libyan 192 miles. That was a relevant circumstance which warranted an adjustment of the median line to attribute a greater area of shelf to Libya.

The court stated that an equitable result could be obtained first by drawing between the 13 deg. 50 minutes east and the 15 deg. 10 minutes east meridians a median line of which every point was equidistant from the low water mark of the relevant coasts of Malta and of Libya, and by then transposing that line northwards by 18 minutes so as to intersect the 15 deg. 10 minute meridian at a latitude of approximately 34 deg. 30 min. north.

Pesticides: 2

Producers seek fail-safe code

In the second of two articles on the use of pesticides, JOHN YOUNG, Agriculture Correspondent, reports on the manufacturers' response to public concern about safety, and to the prospect of stricter legislation.

Last week the British Agrochemicals Association, which represents all the principal manufacturers of pesticides, publicly expressed its concern that there should be no loopholes in the regulations to be introduced governing the use of chemicals.

Cynics may see that as an astute piece of public relations, but it is fair to credit the association's members with not wanting to kill people or damage their health. They are also well aware of the strength of public concern, and of suggestions that it would be in the interests of farmers, as well as the public, if they greatly reduced their use of chemicals, if not abandoned them altogether.

Much of the pressure for legislation on the use of pesticides has come from the association itself, largely because present controls on products which are agreed to be undesirable, or even theoretically banned – Aldrin, Dieldrin and DDT, for example, seem curiously ineffective.

British governments have long resisted legislation, on the grounds that the voluntary arrangements on pesticide safety were working satisfactorily. But the European Commission in Brussels argued that they were being used as a pretext for restrictions on free trade, and that under Community rules the system must be codified.

But according to Mr Tearlach Maclean, the association's director, products were being marketed in Britain without having been cleared through the voluntary scheme.

Mr Tony Pike, the association's chairman, says he is disappointed at the standard of the public debate on the use of pesticides, which, he says "has been high on volume and poor on quality and tone". It can be horrifying for those who know something about a subject to see so-called facts put forward by "instant-experts", he said.

Defending the industry's safety record, he says that aerial spraying, for example, can easily be made to appear indiscriminate. But aerial application represents less than two per cent of agrochemical use, and last year only one in 5,000 operations attracted complaints.

Pesticide residues in food are detectable only in a minority of instance and are invariably well within internationally accepted safety limits, he says.

Modern analytical techniques can measure one part in one thousand million.

In reply to complaints of excessive secrecy by, among others, Friends of the Earth – who say they have to go to the United States to obtain information which is withheld in this country – Mr Pike denies that what is secret is necessarily suspicious. Information is withheld for commercial reasons.

He also refutes suggestions that chemicals are applied excessively and irresponsibly. Some farmers may have been persuaded by salesmen to buy and use more than they needed, but now manufacturers positively discourage prophylactic spraying of healthy crops.

In the last 10 years there has not been a single fatality connected with the use of pesticide, he says. It is a bold claim, and one that provokes an obvious response. How on earth does he know?

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SOCIAL SECURITY REVIEW • Help for low paid • Free school meals curbed • Child benefit likely to fall

Serps entitlements will be honoured as system is phased out by 1990

By Sarah Hogg, Economics Editor

The Government intends to phase out the state earnings-related pension scheme (Serps) during 1987-88 to 1989-90, shifting personal pension provision into the private sector and continuing with only the flat-rate element of the state pension scheme, according to the "programme for change" in the Fowler review.

However:

● All entitlement earned under Serps by 1987, when the scheme will have been in existence for 9 years, will be honoured.

● All men aged 50 and over and all women aged 45 and over in 1987 will continue with existing arrangements, they will continue to build up Serps pensions through contributions if they were previously "contracted-in". Because it takes only 20 years to build up a full pension under Serps (compared with 40 years or more under many private occupational schemes), the youngest of these will benefit virtually fully from the introduction of the scheme in 1978, and be the only age group to do so.

● All men aged 40-49 and all women aged 35-45 in 1987 will have existing Serps rights enhanced. he eldest will in effect be credited with an extra 7½ years of contributions, increasing Serps rights to 75 per cent; the youngest by one year of contributions, increasing rights by 10 per cent.

The Institute for Fiscal Studies has calculated that for a man on average earnings aged 49, that will add the equivalent of £12.20 to his weekly pension. The man aged 40 would receive a bonus equivalent to £1.65 a week in today's money from these credits.

● The basic pension will continue to be uprated in line with prices, and the Fowler review suggests that the Government "will in the long term be in a better position to choose whether to improve the basic pension as national wealth increases" – a broad hint that the changes would permit pensions to be uprated in line with earnings.

Under the pension system envisaged by the Fowler review, employees and employers will be obliged to contribute to an ocupational or personal pension. However, the minumum requirements appear to be rather less than governing the terms on which employers may at present "contract-out" of Serps by providing occupational pensions.

The minimum level of contribution will be set "for the transitional period" at 4 per cent of earnings.

The IFS has calculated that a man aged 35 in 1987, on average earnings, would probably not be able to replace what he loses from the abolition on Serps by contributions at this level.

This figure has been kept low to prevent employers' costs rising during the transition. Employers formerly "contracted in" will find their national insurance contributions reduced.

The review suggests the combined rate for employers and employees will drop from 19.45 per cent to 16.5 per cent. If both sides contribute a combined 4 per cent to an occupational pension, the report suggests, total contributions will rise by only about 1 per cent of earnings.

The review suggests that workers aged 16 to 18, and their employers, will not be obliged to contribute to private pensions, reducing the cost of employing school-leavers. There will also be a minimum level of earnings, below which the obligation will not apply.

The Government will "consider further" whether there should be an upper limit

The Government will allow a wide variety of personal pension schemes but require "certain minimum benefit conditions". Apart from the provision of a pension, the main requirement will be a "survivors" benefit for widows and widowers, of at least half the pension resulting from the minimum contribution.

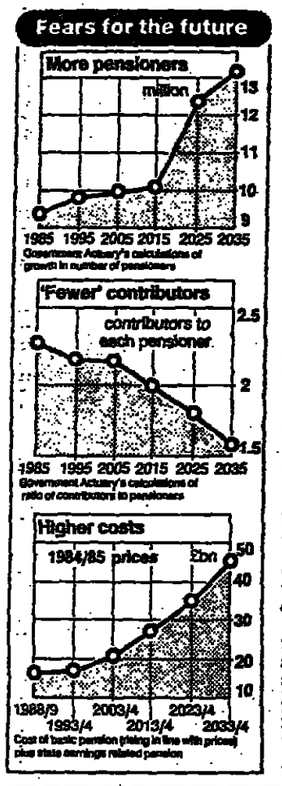
The review expresses the "intention" of equal treatment from men and women. The different retirment ages are to be replaced by a "decade of retirment" between 60 and 70, during which different individual arrangements will be possible.

More controversially, the review proposes that insurance companies should be required to provide annuities for retirement purposes on a common basis for both sexes.

A question mark also hangs over the Occupational Pensions Board, whose job of supervizing the schemes in which half the working population are at present involved will have to change. However, the self-employed, provided with tax relief on pension contributions but not obliged to make any, are unaffected by the proposals.

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Fears for the future





Reforming minister: Mr Fowler in his office yesterday. (Photograph: John Voos).

TEENAGERS

Eligibility remains unchanged in paper

There are no proposals to withdraw supplementary from 16 to 18-year-olds. Although such a move, leaving them with the choice of continuing education, a job, or a place on a government training scheme, has been widely canvassed by ministers and supported by Mrs Thatcher, the Green Paper says the Government's first aim is "to establish comprehensive provision for the age group".

The proposed expansion of the Youth Training Scheme from April to provide two years' training for 16-year-olds and one year for 17-year-old school leavers is "a major step towards ensuring that unemployment among young people under 18 becomes a thing of the past".

Students, however, are to be refused access to supplementary benefit, although details will have to await the Government's consultation paper

Claims from students for supplementary and housing benefit, usually for small sums, cause disproportionate administrative difficulties. "The Government believes it right, in principle, to return to the situation which existed before 1966, with students being helped through the grant system, by their families and by their own earnings

HOUSING

Rate and rent aid proposals could cut £500m off benefit

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

The big cash cut is in housing benefit. No figures are given in the Green Paper, but proposals that will result in big reductions in help with rates, and cuts in rent assistance, suggest a cut of £500 million and possibly more in the £4.2 billion scheme.

Seven million claimants, one in three households, receive housing benefit.

Under the proposals, about 3.5 million people on supplementary benefit who have housing costs met in full will be expected to pay about 20 per cent of their rates.

Another four million people, who will include large numbers of occupational pensioners and the low paid, though not the lowest paid, will have help with rates withdrawn far more quickly, and some people will lose housing benefit altogether.

Also, local authorities, who have almost all the costs of paying and administering housing benefit met by the Government would no longer do so.

The Green Paper says that housing benefit does not provide fair treatment for all recipients. It is too complicated and while steps have been taken to cut the numbers receiving assistance "more still needs to be done".

Instead of two separate tests for eligibility, one test, the same as for the new income support scheme, will be used. A capital cut-off will be introduced so that people with more than £6,000 savings will receive no help, and benefit will be reduced on a sliding scale for those whose income is between £3,000 and £6,000.

In future, instead of six separate "tapers" for rent and rates, benefit will be withdrawn on a single taper, as income rises, for households whose income is above the new income support levels.

The Green Paper says "the treatment of rates in a reformed housing benefit scheme will depend crucially on the final outcome of the review of local government finance". But with millions of people receiving help with rates, the link between the use of local authority services and payment for them has been "greatly weakened with a corresponding loss in local accountability".

The aim of making everyone pay at least something towards rates, though not specifically spelt out, is to discourage people on supplementary benefit voting for high-spending (and often Labour) local authorities, knowing that rate increases will not affect them.

The Green Paper says under the proposed scheme "the maximum level of support for rates for all households will be set at less than 100 per cent. The Government have in mind a figure of the order 80 per cent, though this could be revised".

That decision is directly opposed by the independent review of housing benefit, also published yesterday, chaired by Mr Jeremy Rowe, the only one of the Government's reviews not chaired by a minister.

Given variations in housing costs, over which low income households have little control, "the only fair way of providing assistance with housing costs . . . is to provide 100 per cent assistance with actual rents and rates to all households whose income is at or below supplementary benefit level".

Local authorities would be faced with collecting large numbers of often very small sums from ratepayers, leading to arrears and administrative costs, the report says.

To provide authorities with a greater incentive to monitor and control the costs of housing benefit, the Government proposes to repay less than 100 per cent of the costs of paying and administering the benefit.

SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFIT

Income support will replace 16,000 paragraphs of rules

The supplementary benefit system, last reformed by the Conservatives in 1980, with 16,000 paragraphs of rules on which one in eight of the population depend, is to be abolished.

It is to be replaced by a new system of income support. Existing extra weekly payments costing about £600 million a yera for heating, diet, laundry and regular expenses will go.

Single payments, for furniture, bedding, cookers, special clothing, maternity and funeral expenses, for which there are more than 1.5 million claims annually, are to be replaced by a new cash-limited "social fund".

It will make payments discretionary, rather than as of right at present. The appeal system through social security tribunals and the courts will cease.

In many cases the fund will offer loans rather than grants, repayable wy weekly deductions from benefit. Appeals against decisions by the specialist staff who will run the fund will be heard by local management.

The Green Paper says a system of income support will be simpler, less intrusive and more comprehensible than the present system, but "will not provide in detail for every variation of indicidual circumstances". There will be many gainers as well as losers, although those on benefit will receive their current rates until the new ones catch up if new benefit levels would leave them worse off.

The key changes proposed are:

● The two rates of supplementary benefit, long-term and short-term will be abolished, as will higher rates for householders.

● Benefit for those aged under 25 will be cut in real terms.

● A new family premium will be paid, regardless of the number of children, on top of extra amounts for each child depending on age. The age bands of nought to 10 and 11 to 16 may be replaced by up to eight, eight to 13 and 13 and over.

● Single parents will receive a premium, plus the "adult" over-25 rate of income support, and the family premium, expected to be worth several pounds a week.

● Pensioners will receive a premium at 60.

● Pensioners over 80 and the long-term sick and disabled will receive a higher premium.

● Single parents, disabled people and couples unemployed for two years will be allowed to earn up to £15 a week, instead of £4, without benefit being affected. The aim is to encourage them to "keep in touch" with work.

● Pensioners on income support, the single unemployed and unemployed couples will be allowed to earn up to perhaps £5 a week, instead of £4, on a net basis, but work expenses will no longer be allowed in calculating the figure.

● A less rigid capital cut-off rule is to be introduced. At present, savings of £3,000 debar people from supplementary benefit. In future, that figure will be £6,000, but when assessing claims it will be assumed claimants have a weekly income for each £100 of capital above £3,000. The precise figure has to be set, but the Government "has in mind" 40p for each £100.

● Water rates will no longer be paid for separately, claimants will have to pay them from basic income support.

● Mortgage interest is unlikely to be paid for the first six months on benefit. The Green Paper is not specific but says the £170 million provided can discourage owner-occupiers from returning to work.

Talks will be held with building societies and banks to find arrangements whereby "less of the burden" for people on benefit for a short time falls on the social security system.

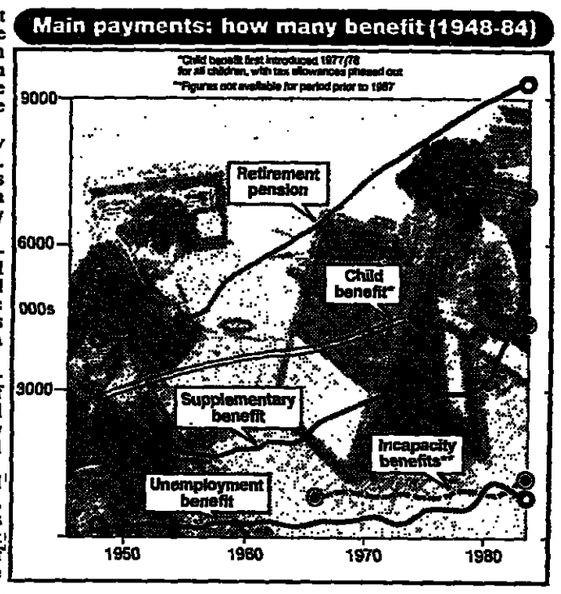
The new social fund to replace single payments will have four elements: community care; maternity and funeral expenses; budgeting; and financial crises.

● People moving out of long-stay hospitals, parents needing to visit sick children in hospital, the elderly moving to more suitable accommodation, could all qualify for help with the payments "not normally" recoverable.

● People on low incomes will receive help with maternity and funeral expenses, with a new maternity grant, about £75 rather than the present £25. Reasonable funeral expenses will be met but the fund will have first call on the estate

● The "fuel direct" scheme, where the system will pay fuel debts through weekly deductions from benefit could be extended to loans for other items.

Main payments: how many benefit (1948-84)



Estimated numbers benefit at any one time[1]: 1984/85

Retirement pension	9,290,000
Widows' benefits	430,000
Unemployment benefit	1,020,000
Sickness benefit	170,000
Invalidity benefit	810,000
Industrial disablement benefit	185,000
Industrial death benefit	30,000
Maternity allowance	115,000
War pensions	305,000
Attendance allowance	490,000
Invalid care allowance	10,000
Severe disablement allowance	245,000[2]
Mobility allowance	355,000
Supplementary pension[3]	1,720,000
Supplementary allowance[3]	2,570,000
Child benefit (–families	6,670,000
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One parent benefit	585,000
Family income supplement	210,000
Housing benefit	
rent rebate	3,810,000
rent allowance	1,060,000
rate rebate	7,290,000

[1] beneficiaries may be receiving more than one benefit an any one time.
[2] estimated average for the period November 1984 to March 1985.
[3] includes people receiving housing benefit supplement.

PENSIONS

Insurers welcome scheme

By Richard Thomson

The proposal to phase out Serps, was greeted yesterday with wide approval by the life assurance industry, the main provider of penion schemes.

However, the industry gave a warning of great potential dangers if a new political concensus on pension provisions does not result from the Government's proposals.

The Life Offices Association and the Association of Scottish Life Offices, representing most life assurance companies in Britain, said that a long period of political uncertainty over pensions would be damaging both to the public and to the pensions industry.

The associations said that the transition from Serps to a new system of privately-based schemes would not be easy. There was a danger that unacceptable anomalies would arise in the eventual benefits received by different sectors of employees, such as those currently contracted in and those contracted out of Serps.

However, the industry eagerly welcomed the Government's proposals to let all employees take out their own personal pension schemes if they wished, Mr Paul Bateman of Save & Prosper said: "This will lead to an explosion of sales of personal pensions which are likely to become the biggest invested sector of Britain's wealth".

Although confident that they would be able to cope with the new pensions arrangements, many companies believed that the requirement to treat men and women equally would lead to a general rise in the cost of pension provision. At present women pay more for the same benefits because they live longer.

There was also concern that the proposals did not make it obligatory for employees to take out some form of pension provision.

SOCIAL FUND

Death grant to be abolished

By Our Social Services Correspondent

The £30 death grant, paid about 600,000 times a year, is to be abolished, with help for funeral expenses coming from the new social fund. The maternity grant, worth £25, and paid to all 700,000 others a year, is also to be made part of the new fund and restricted to those on the new Income Support and Family Credit. The amount is "likely to be around £75".

Maternity allowance, worth £27.25 a week and paid to 350,000 mothers a year is also to be subjected to tougher tests. At present, many women who last worked two or more years before the baby was due, can qualify.

The death grant, not uprated since 1967, makes an "insignificant" contribution towards the cost of even a simple funeral, the Green Paper says. It costs £29 million a year,

The total cost of funerals is more than £250 million, the state's contribution, including single payments totalling £2.5 million to those on supplementary benefit, totals £20 million.

The payments, however, will be recoverable as the first charge against an estate, or from the relative who arranged the funeral.

Widow's benefits, one of the most complex areas of social security, are also to be reshaped, with the widow's allowance, worth £50.10 a week for the first 26 weeks, plus £7.65 for each dependent child in addition to child benefit, is to be replaced with a single "substantial" lump-sum payment, which will "probably" be £1,000. That lump sum – worth £300 less than the allowance over the 26 weeks – should "help all widows cope with the immediate financial worries they face

Widowed mother's allowance, payable for children aged up to 19, will be paid from the time of bereavement rather than after six months.

N. INSURANCE

Rates of payment to change

By Our Economics Editor

The Fowler review makes clear the Government's intention to retain a system of national insurance contributions separate from income tax, although the issue is yet to be considered under the Treasury's review of personal taxation.

The report describes national insurance as a "social compact", through which those in work can see what they are paying for those who are not.

However, the review proposes considerable changes in contributions. At present, employers "contracted in" to the state earnings related pension scheme pay 10.45 per cent on earnings above the threshold (now £35.50 but about to be altered by the introduction of graduated contribution rates), while employees pay 9 per cent up to a ceiling of £265 a week.

Those "contracted-out" pay 6.35 per cent and 6.85 per cent respectively across the range of earnings covered by Serps, making a combined rate of 13.20 per cent.

Once Serps is phased out, both groups will pay a combined rate of 16.5 per cent. If the changes are split equally between employer and employee, the Institute for Fiscal Studies has calculated that an employee who was formerly contracted in, on average earnings, would gain £2.65 a week, while those contracted-out would lose £1.80 a week.

But the "contracted-out" employee would not receive any reduction in his contribbutions to a private occupational pension.

The changes in contributions will be introduced in three years from 1987, with the requirement to contribute to personal schemes developing over the same period. The Fowler review estimates that the increase in private contributions will be about £750 million in 1987-88, rising to at least £1,250 million in 1989-90. These will attract tax relief, reducing revenue to the Exchequer.

Although the review makes it plain that the Government is not committed to any particular structure of contributions, it rules out abolition of the upper earnings limit for employees, which it says would give rise to "unacceptable" marginal rates of taxation. That effectively rules out fusion of income tax and national insurance.

However, it suggests that the two systems could be better aligned.

A further degree of alignment will be provided by altering the date of the annual social security uprating. That is to be shifted to April.

THE PHILOSOPHY

System almost has life of its own, Fowler says

By Our Social Services Correspondent

The £40 billion social security system has lost its way, becoming "a leviathan almost with a life of its own", the Green Paper's introduction says.

"It is too complicated; it does not always put help where help is most needed; and it does not provide as good a service to the public as we would want".

The system comprises more than 30 separate benefits, with overlapping purposes and differing entitlements and rules so complex that it is difficult to administer and at times impossible for the public to understand.

Spending has risen five fold in real terms since just after the Second World War, in part through the shifting of housing support and child benefit to the social security system. But on present policies spending will increase by between £5 billion and £8 billion in real terms over the next 20 years, assuming benefits rise only in line with prices.

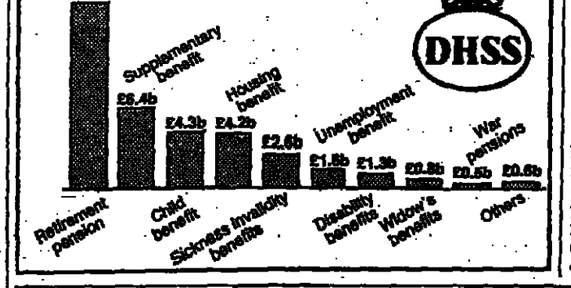
If they rose by 1.5 per cent a year ahead of prices, to maintain the record of gradual improvements in the living standards of those on benefits, the extra costs in 20 years would be between £16 billion and £20 billion, the Green Paper says, a real increase of between 45 and 55 per cent in the budget.

If the state earnings-related pension scheme remains, by the year 2033, it would add another £23 billion to spending.

The proposals, with the phased abolition of Serps, the introduction of a common means-test for housing benefit, the income support scheme which replaces supplementary benefit, and for the new family credit, will make it more worthwhile for individuals to work and save.

The Green Paper is in four volumes available from HMSO, Cmnd numbers 9517 to 9520. Volume One, *Reform of Social Security* (£3.00) sets out broad principles. Volume Two, same title but sub-titled *Programme for Change* (£6.60), contains the detailed proposals. Volume Three (£10.50) is background papers, and the report of the separate Housing Benefit Review, is volume four (£6.10)

1984/5: Where the £37.7 billion goes



FAMILY CREDIT

Innovation aimed at beating the poverty trap

By Nicholas Timmins

The most innovative proposals is the abolition of Family Income Supplement, costing £130 million a year and claimed by only half the 400,000 families entitled to it. It is to be replaced with a new Family Credit. Families who are unemployed are also to receive some extra help through a new family premium.

The new credit will involve a "substantial premium" payable to families in low-paid work, plus an allowance for each child, on top of existing child benefit. The benefit will be paid for periods of six months, as opposed to a year for Family Income Supplement, and entitlement will be based on the previous 13 weeks' earnings, as against five for FIS.

But the green Paper claims that because the assessment will be lined up with housing benefit assessments, no family will lose more that £1 in benefit as the new Family Credit and housing benefit are withdrawn as income rises in low-paid work.

The credit will be paid by employers, although assessed by the DHSS, and off-set against tax and national insurance payments, with an addition to gross pay if the individual's tax and national insurance are lower than the credit. Employers will deduct the extra from their total tax and NI bill.

"A key feature of the scheme will be its impact on the poverty and unemployment traps," the green Paper says.

By adopting a similar structure to the new income support and using the same net income tests as for that and housing benefit, "it should be possible both to ensure that those in work are better off than if they were not working and that the worst effects of the poverty trap are eliminated".

Family Credit, the Green Paper says, will cover a wider range of incomes than FIS and be available to anyone working more than 24 hours a week.

But the Green Paper contains a strong hint that child benefit will no longer be fully uprated in line with inflation

The Green Paper says both that Family Credit will cost more than FIS, perhaps £70 million more, and that the Government wants to give more help to families in low-paid work and on supplementary benefit, than to families as a whole.

The £6.85 a week child benefit, costing more than £4 billion, and paid for all 12 million children, is likely therefore to cease to rise in line with inflation, possibly not being uprated to the expected £7.25 or £7.30

Also, those on Family Credit will cease to receive free school meals and free milk and vitamins, as claimants on FIS now do, and the Government is to remove local authorities' discretionary power to provide free or cut-price school meals.

The Child Poverty Action Group calculated yesterday from a parliamentary answer that almost 500,000 children could lose free school meals worth between £2.10 and £2.40 a week – 170,000 now on Family Income Supplement and another 300,000 whose families are not on FIS or supplementary benefit.

Those on the new Income Support will still be entitled to free school meals and milk.

The clear aim is to encourage people with families to take low-paid work.

TIMETABLE

White Paper in autumn

The Government plans to introduce its main reforms in April 1987. A social security Bill will be introduced in November.

First, however, the conclusions on the Green Paper proposals – many of which the Government is set on introducing – will be set out in a White Paper in the early autumn.

Consultation is open until September 16. But as the reforms come in, the Government plans a permanent change in the timing of the uprating of benefits.

Instead of being uprated in November, future upratings will be in April, to coincide with tax changes, and allowing local authorities to make only one, instead of two, changes to housing benefit a year.

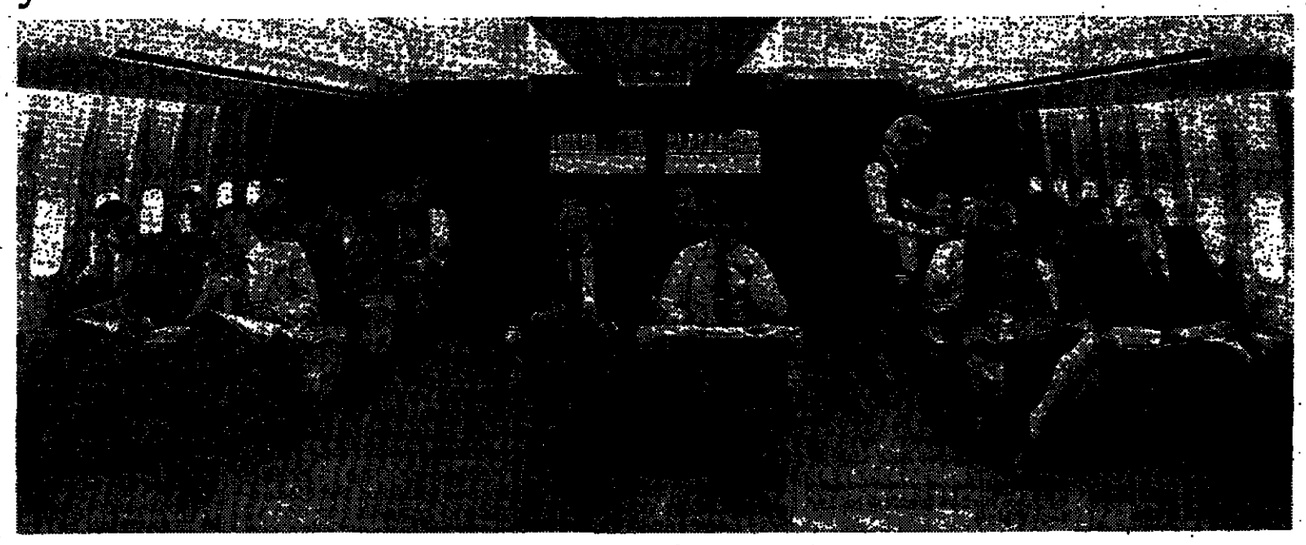
To make the April change, however, and allow a "smooth transition", the November 1986 uprating is to be brought forward to July 1986, so that this November's increase will be followed by two at eight-month intervals, with the regular April upratings beginning in 1987. The Green Paper does not make clear what periods will be used for measuring inflation to decide the upratings, leading pressure groups yesterday to express fears that cuts in benefit rates could be hidden in the switch.



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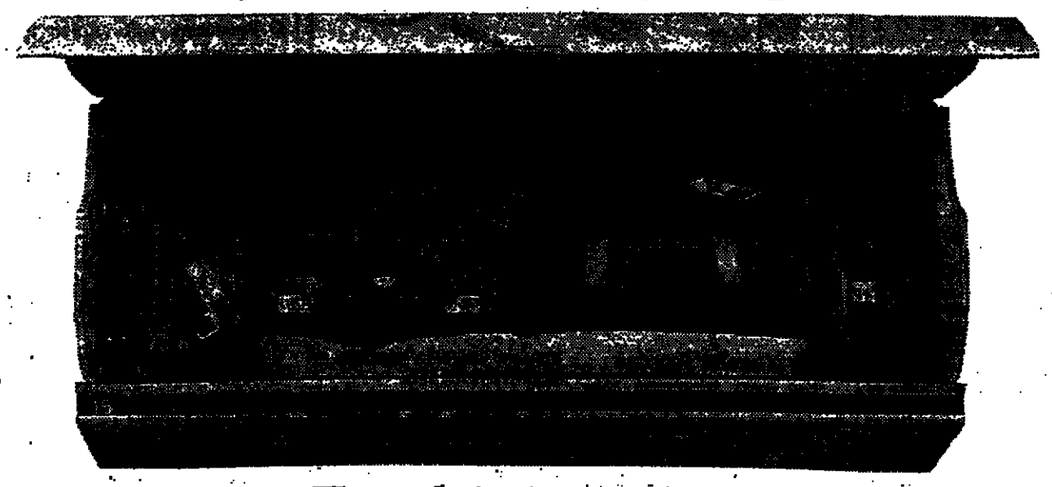
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Papandreou to streamline his Cabinet after Greek vote of confidence

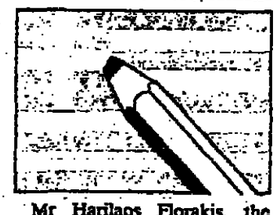
From Mario Modiano, Athens

Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, whose ruling Pasok socialists won an easy victory in Sunday's elections, plans to set up a 10-member Cabinet tomorrow to streamline the Government and increase its efficiency.

He said he would call on President Sartzetakis later today to inform him of the official election results and submit the resignation of the outgoing Government, consisting of 53 ministers and their deputies. "It is outdated and unworkable," he said.

The results mean that Pasok will control 161 of the 300 seats in the new Parliament, fewer than in 1981, but enough to uphold a one-party government without having to lean on the Communists for support.

Election analysts attribute the Socialists victory to a last minute switch of Communists voters frightened by the consequences of a conservative return to power. This trend, they pointed out, did not show in the last pre-election polls and may be attributed to the impressive show of force staged by New Democracy in its Athens campaign rally on Thursday night, as well as the assumed impact of former President Karamanlis's message indirectly supporting the conservative camp.



Mr Harilaos Florakis, the KKE's Communist secretary general, referred to this massive defection of Communist voters, attributing it to the "scare" campaign and the intimidating dilemmas posed by Pasok. The Socialists warned the left that if the right wing were to return to power it would re-impose a police state with whose oppressive practices they were only too familiar. There is no evidence that the switch had been induced; or Moscow-inspired as some quarters suggest, rather than spontaneous.

The drift of left-wing voters toward Pasok, which fully vindicated Mr Papandreou's abrupt left turn last March, almost obliterated the small Euro-Communist Party which was left with a modest 1.8 per cent of the total vote. One consolation perhaps was that its charismatic leader, Mr Leonidas Kyrkos, won the party's single seat in the new parliament.

The defection of the Communists, which was heaviest in the urban centres, allowed the Socialists to recover much of the lost ground from last year's European elections. It is now clear that the sudden loss of popularity by the Socialists then was in the nature of a warning from disgruntled voters of the cities, rather than notice of defection.

The paradox in this election is that New Democracy, which came second in the election contest, also scored significant gains. Although some of them came as a trickle of dissatisfied centrists from Pasok, the bulk of its gains came at the expense of the far right, which retained this time a low 0.6 per cent.

This was the direct result of polarization engendered also by the new electoral system. It was mainly thanks to a bonus of "seats from the third distribution, given to the front-runner, that the Socialists secured the overall majority in the new chamber which opens on June 17.

Mr Constantine Mitsotakis, leader of New Democracy, conceded defeat yesterday, but attributed Pasok's victory to the manner in which the party has abused the state machinery and the mass media controlled by it to increase its influence. He said, however, that the Greek people had made its choice

Mr Mitsotakis, who has refused to recognize the legality of President Sartzetakis's election, had said that this issue would be determined by the poeple's vote. Now that the vote has come out in favour of the Socialists who chose the new President, it is assumed that the Opposition leader will agree to have at least a working relationship with the head of state.

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	General election '81		European election '84	Election '85	
	% vote	seats	% vote	% vote	seats
PASOK	48.07	172	41.58	45.82	161
New Democracy	35.87	115	36.05	40.84	125
KKE (Communists)	10.93	13	11.64	9.89	13
NKK-Interior	1.34	—	3.42	1.84	1
EPEN (far right)	—	—	2.29	0.61	—
Others	3.79	—	3.02	1.00	—

1985 results with 56 of the 14,738 polling stations unaccounted for.

Peres says troops will stay behind in Lebanon

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem

Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, has publicly confirmed reports that an unspecified number of Israeli troops will remain in southern Lebanon after the long awaited final withdrawal, scheduled for later this week.

In a radio interview broadcast by the French station Europe 1, Mr Peres pledged that the last stage of the pull-back, originally agreed on January 14, would be completed this week to coincide with Thursday's third anniversary of the 1982 invasion.

"The war in Lebanon will be completely over," the Prime Minister said. "This will be the end of the war in Lebanon. There will be no Israeli Army units on Lebanese soil."

However, a serious question was raised about Israel's continuing cross-border involvement when Mr Peres stated with a deliberate note of vagueness: "For several weeks, we will keep individual soldiers (in Lebanon) to help the South Lebananese Army (SLA) but no figure has been decided."

Shia Muslim guerillas have already threatened an all-out battle to try and disband the SLA and totally end Israel's involvement.

Observers believe that Israel's intention of retaining a presence in the "security zone" – which at one point stretches 15 miles north into the Lebanese territory – is one reason why this week's final retreat is being turned into such a low key affair.

Many Western diplomats are openly sceptical about the "troops but no more units" formula expounded by Mr Peres.

Senior Israeli officers still serving in southern Lebanon said there would be no ceremonies to mark the pull-back and none of the symbolic lowering of the Star of David associated with Israel's earlier retreat on the occupied Sinai Peninsula.

"In no way can leaving Lebanon be regarded as a glorious affair, or a move like leaving Sinai which offered the chance of peace," one said.

Already, the Israelis have informed sympathetic local leaders in south Lebanon that up to 500 Israeli "advisers" may be involved in assisting the SLA, which is expected to face violent opposition from the Shia Muslim Amal organization.

In addition, United Nations officers serving in south Lebanon have recently reported a number of instances of Israeli military vehicles being hasitly repainted in the distinctive military grey used by SLA.

The UN officers admit that because the SLA men wear Israeli uniforms, fire Israeli weapons, eat Israeli rations and on some occasions speak Hebrew – just as their Israeli advisers sometimes speak Arabic – identifying who is who after Thursday will be difficult, if not impossible.

Yesterday, Israeli and SLA troops mounted a combined search and arrest operation in the south Lebanon village of Majdel Salim in which two local houses were destroyed and dozens of villagers arrested. UN officers were barred from entering during the operation.



Sitting tight: Soldiers of the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army exercising in an old tank before taking over the border "security zone" when the Israelis withdraw.

Raiders kill British couple in Nairobi

Nairobi (AP) – A British couple and a security guard were shot dead in a robbery attempt at the couple's home in a Nairobi suburb, the British High Commission reported.

The Britons were Kevin Craig-McFeely, aged 56, an architect who was formerly chief city planner for Nairobi, and his wife, Carla, aged 64. The guard was a Kenyan employed by a private firm.

According to Nairobi newspaper accounts, a gang of about 10 men invaded the Craig-McFeely compound in the suburb of Karen between 10 and 11 pm on Saturday and shot the couple when Mr Craig-McFeely shouted to them to go away.

The housekeeper summoned four security guards, one of whom was fatally wounded by the escaping raiders.

Hotels strike hits New York

New York (NYT) Negotiations for scores of New York City's largest hotels and 14,000 striking employees agreed to resume contract talks yesterday after a weekend of noisy picketing disrupted services and inconvenience for thousands of guests.

Hotels remained open and were providing some services, with managers and 4,000 newly-hired workers filling in for striking maids, bellhops, bartenders, waiters and chefs.

British success

New York (AP) – Derek Jacobi, the British actor, won the Tony award for best actor on Broadway for his role as Benedict in *Much Ado About Nothing*. Stockard Channing was named best actress for her part in *Joe Egg*.

Journalist shot

Manila (Reuter) – Manny Julian, aged 28, who worked for a magazine and taught journalism at university, was shot dead inside a cinema in Davao City in the southern Philippines. He was the fourteenth Philippines journalist to be killed in six years.

Falcons charge

Reykjavik (Reuter) – A 35-year-old West German has been arrested on charges of attempting to smuggle falcons – Iceland's national symbol – out of the country. Police said customs officers found three four-day old falcons hidden in a false drinks case.

Mother killed

Naples (AP) – A bomb killed the 65-year-old mother of a Camorra gangster turned police informer and injured his sister-in-law as the victims slept in a mobile home near here. The dead woman was identified as Francesca Pandico, mother of Giovanni Pandico.

Appeals fail

Taipei (AFP) – The High Court here upheld life sentences imposed on a reputed gangland boss, Chen Chi-li, and his lieutenant Wu Tun for murdering the Chinese-American writer, Henry Liu in California last year. Lawyers for the two said they would appeal to the Supreme Court.

Cheap cabbage

Peking (AP) – State-run vegetable shops here have cut prices by nearly a third to soothe consumers upset by shortages and rising prices. Municipal authorities have resumed subsidizing prices of cabbage, cucumber and tomatoes.

Death penalty

Kuala Lumpur (AP) – A judge sentenced a car salesman to death for trafficking in 177.3 grams (6.25 oz) of heroin. Since 1975, 30 people have been hanged for dealing in drugs.

The man and his methods

The Ample majority won by Mr Andreas Papandreou at the polls on Sunday was his reward for managing to impart to the average Greek in the last four yeas a new sense of national and political emancipation that holds out the promise of better days.

It was the vindication of an apparently Sisyphean task begun 23 years ago when Mr Papandreou sought to weave into the hardened fabric of a deeply conformist Greek society the radical ideas formulated while spending 20 years teaching in liberal American university campuses.

Political oppression had driven him out of Greece, when at the age of 20 he was beaten up by the police of the Netaxas dictatorship for joining a Trotskyite student group. Once in the US, a combination of hard work and a brilliant mind won him academic distinction as an economist.

He was lured back to Greece and its politics by his late father, George Papandreou, on the eve of a landslide election victory for his Centre Union party in 1964. He became a key minister in his father's Cabinet, but his rapid rise divided the party, while his radical sermons alarmed the establishment.

Perhaps it is fateful irony that the key man in the mass defections from the Centre Union that followed the downfall of old Papandreou in 1965 was Mr Constantine Mitsotakis, who, in Sunday's elections, was his main adversary as leader of New Democracy, the opposition conservatives.

The military dictatorship imposed in 1967 largely to block Papandreou's rise to power released him from prison after strong American pressure. He lived in exile until the junta collapsed in 1974.

Returning to Greece, he founded the Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) and organized it in a methodical manner that was new to Greece and certainly in sharp contrast to the arrogant complacency with which the ruling conservatives practised, the patronage system to perpetuate their rule.

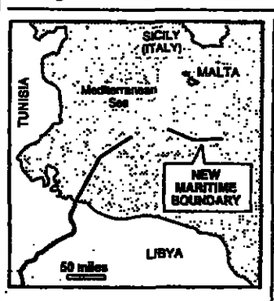
By identifying his movement with the underprivileged and the oppressed, he managed to double the party's following in each successive election, culminating in a spectacular 48 per cent in 1981. To be able to poll almost 46 per cent of the national vote four years later is no mean achievement.

Four years of Socialist rule since have seen a great deal of clumsy improvization, especially in the economy, but two policies stand out today as relevant to last Sunday's victory.

Mr Papandreou gave the Greek peasant self-respect, freed him of police harassment, and improved his lot largely thanks to European Community financing

By defying the powerful of the earth, especially the meddlesome West, and by following deliberately unpredictable policies, he has convinced the average Greek that under the socialists his country has acquired a voice in the world so that Greece can never be taken for granted again.

In a country of sentimental nationalists with a proud but distant historical heritage, this feeling can work political miracles. It did so on Sunday.



Malta loses a chunk of the Med

From Ian Sutherland
The Hague

Malta lost 18 nautical miles of the Mediterranean to Libya yesterday when the International Court of Justice at The Hague ruled on a maritime boundary dispute between the two states.

Malta had wanted the boundary to be drawn at an equal distance from each country, but the court ruled that because of Libya's longer coastline opposite Malta – 192 miles as opposed to Malta's 24 – the median line be adjusted 18 miles northwards.

Libya had wanted the court to state only the general priciples by which such maritime boundaries should be drawn, but the court held that it was not debarred from drawing the actual line.

The court confined itself to a narrow arc between Malta and Libya to protect the interests of Italy, which had wanted to intervene but whose applications to do so had been rejected by the court without protest from other parties.

This is Libya's second maritime boundary judgement. In 1982 the International Court gave a ruling on the Libya/Tunisia maritime boundary, but those parties now had an application before the court for it to be interpret and revise that judgement.

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Camp battles keep Red Cross at bay

From Richard Dowden, Beirut

The battle between Shia Muslim Amal fighters and Palestinians in the south Beirut camps continued yesterday.

In the Bourj el-Barajneh and Chatila camps there was sporadic shooting. Police said two people had been killed and 19 wounded. For the first time in three days the Red Cross was unable to enter the camps to take out wounded.

On the Green Line which divides Muslim and Christian parts of the city, police said one person was killed and five were wounded, including Major Jean-Louis Kohler, a French observer, who was shot in the foot.

Colonel Antoine Devirieu, the French commander, said the headquarters of the 57-man observer force had been under fire for some days but he did not know who was shooting at them.

At the el-Hilweh camp near Sidon, Palestinian leaders gave Amal until seven o'clock last night to release one of their leaders who was seized on Sunday. Mr Abdul Fedah Omran, the local leader to the popular Front for the Liberation of Patestine. General Command, had been seized as he was visiting relatives outside the camp.

Around the camp new ramparts have been thrown up in recent days. A Palestinian spokesman said they were ready to fight Amal if necessary. "We will not five up our arms to any power in the world."

Shamir and Howe agree to differ on PLO

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel's Foreign Minister, Mr Yitzha Shamir, is understood to have told Britain that his Government could not support Middle East peace talks with members of the Palestine National Council.

At a 2½ hour meeting with Sir Geoffrey Howe, which the Foreign Office later described as "friendly and uninhibited," the right-wing deputy to Mr Shimon Peres in Israel's ruling coalition, made clear that he saw the PNC as simply the "parliament" of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and thus no more acceptable.

Mr George Shultz, the American Secretary of State, has asked for Israeli support for peace talks involving the United States on the one hand and a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation on the other.

The State Department has been in contact with Israel following the talks last week in Washington between President Reagan and King Husain of Jordan.

The suggestion has also been made that members of the PNC might take part as a compromise which might just be acceptable to the Israelis and also to the Palestinian people.

Yesterday's meeting, followed by lunch, was said to be remarkably good-tempered, despite British impatience with Israeli intransigence.

Nor was the calm ruffled by a British refusal to give way on any of the three Israeli demands which are raised at almost every contact betweeen the two governments.

These are for a removal of the British arms embargo on Israel; a decision by Britain to sell North Sea oil to Israel and, most of all, a promise by Britain to have nothing to do with the Arab trade boycott.

The first of these, the arms embargo, should be nearly at an end

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE

Philippines

José Británico

By Caroline Moorehead

An active trade unionist in his early thirties called José Británico has been on trial on and off, with continual postponements, since January 1983.

He is accused, with more than 20 others, of conspiring to commit rebellion and with the illegal possession of ammunition and subversive documents. A judge is reported to have said that the trial may last into 1986.

Mr Británico was working as a sample maker at the Redson Textile Manufacturing Corporation when he was arrested on September 11, 1982, one of a number of union leaders detained in a great sweep against union activists in the Metro Manila area.

By the end of that summer, some 40 organizers, belonging to the independent trade union confederation PMP, to which Británico's Redson Labour Association was indirectly affiliated, had been taken into custody.

These detentions had been sparked off by an increase in all trade union activity, including calls for better conditions and better pay, which followed the ending of martial law in January 1981.

According to the military authorities, however, some of these independent unions were merely fronts for the banned Communist Party.

The slowness of M Británico's hearing is typical of judicial procedures against political prisoners in the Philippines today.

So are the charges of violent offences, though no witnesses have been found to substantiate them.

Washington fears for Nato bases

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The United States will seek early clarification from Mr Papandreou on whether he intends to go ahead with a threat to close four US military bases considered vital to Nato's south-eastern flank.

President Reagan sent a congratulatory letter to Mr Papandreou yesterday. The White House spokesman said Mr Papandreou "has indicated he would like to improve relations and we hope he will".

American officials draw a measure of optimism from the fact that Mr Papandreou did not make the bases an issue in the election campaign.

● MOSCOW: Tass welcomed Mr Papandreou's win as a "victory for progressive forces", in both Greece and Europe as a whole. Diplomats said the Kremlin obviously hoped Mr Papandreou would now go ahead with his threat to close doen the bases. The Russians hope a second Papandreou term will weaken Nato's southern flank.

● ANKARA: Mr Turget Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, warned of "trouble" if Mr Papandreou should attempt to implement his pledged policies against Turkey.

● LONDON: Mr Neil Kinnock sent a congratulatory message to Mr Papandreou, saying his win was a "great vote of confidence".

Killer Gun shown at plot trial

From Peter Nichols
Rome

A formidable silent witness was brought yesterday before the court trying the case of the eight Turks and Bulgarians accused of conspiring to murder the Pope, in the shape of the 9mm Browning pistol with which the attempt was made.

The near-fatal shots were fired from this gun on May 13, 1981 in St Peter's Square by Mehemet Ali Agca, the Turkish terrorist now serving a life sentence in an Italian prison. He is among the accused at this trial, but is facing the comparatively minor offence of being illegally in possession of an offensive weapon.

After the many photographs one has seen of it in the terrorist's hand, the pistol looks unexpectedly small. What is noticeable is the size of the bullet it fires, a projectile obviously intended to do damage simply by the seriousness of the wound it would cause wherever it struck its victim.

The pistol made its appearance during the questioning of Mr Omer Bagci the Turk who worked in a Swiss glass factory at Olten. He is accused of having looked after the pistol for Agca and then to have brought it into Italy for him a few days before the attempt on the Pope's life.

Like much of Mr Bagci's testimony, his reaction when he saw the pistol was vague and uncertain. He does not deny, however, that he looked after a packet which may well have contained his pistol until he was instructed to give it back to Agca.

His interrogation continues tomorrow when he might be brought face-to-face with Agca. The trial has now entered its second week and may well last until the end of the year.



Mr Bagci: Accused of carrying gun used against Pope.

French Opposition squabbles

Barre tirade rocks unity boat

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Only a week before the three main French opposition leaders are due to come together to speak for the first time from the same platform in what had been hoped would be a great display of right-wing unity, M Raymond Barre has again made all too apparent the deep underlying divisions within the Opposition.

No sooner had the neo-Gaullist RPR proudly unveiled its 10-point manifesto for next year's parliamentary elections before a gathering of 5,000 party faithful outside Paris on Saturday, than M Barre was denouncing those who made "demagogic and unrealistic promises in order to win elections". He was addressing an equally large crowd of his own sympathizers near Paris on Sunday.

No names were named, but the target was clear, as Mr Bernard Pons, former secretary-general of the RPR, was among the first to recognize. He was "astounded and saddened" to hear M Barre indulging in the same "little games of caricaturing the party's policies" as were usually only played by the Socialists. "Where does he want it all to end?" M Pons said.

M Barre, who is embarrassingly far ahead of his two main rivals – M Jacques Chirac and M Valery Giscard d'Estaing – in the opinion polls, had not helped matters by declaring publicly for the first time on Friday, in a long interview in *L'Express* magazine, that he would be prepared to stand in the next presidential elections.

In the same interview, and again on Sunday, M Barre reaffirmed his total opposition to any prospect of a right-wing government "cohabiting" with a Socialist president in the event of an Opposition victory in next year's elections.

M Chirac and M Giscard d'Estaing have both taken an equally firm stand on the need for the Opposition to assume its "responsibilities" and take over the reins of government as soon as possible. Indeed, the launching on Saturday of the RPR's manfiesto, described as a "pact with France", was intended as a clear manifestation of that commitment, at least as far as M Chirac was concerned.

The manifesto, which confirms the party's shift to the right since 1981, promises to take immediate action on coming to power to lift price and exchange controls; to privatize industries nationalized by the Socialists; to cut taxes by 40 billion francs (£3.3 billion) and slash government spending proportionally; and to proportionally make it easier to lay off redundant workers.

The party's aim was "to replace a straight-jacketed economy by a free economy" in order to promote recovery, M Chirac said. Soon after, however, M Barre was issuing a warning against those who believed that a change of government and a series of cuts and decrees would be enough to lead to rapid economic recovery and falling unemployment.

Needless to say, the Socialists are delighted with all this public squabbling among their opponents.

Marchais joins battle over banned television film

From Our Own Correspondent Paris

Mr Georges Marchais, the French Communist leader, has accused the Government of being behind an anti-Communist campaign designed to break the party. Government opposition to the decision to ban from French television a film critical of the Communist Party's role during the Second World War was part of that campaign, he said.

Last week, M Georges Filioud, Minister for Communications, took the unusual step of accusing of censorship the very organization which the Government had set up three years ago to oversee the independence of television and radio in France, after it had given advice that the film *Terrorists in Retreat* should not be shown on French television.

In providing such an opinion, the Audovisual High Authority, an independant watch-dog of nine "wise men", had exceeded the powers under which it was set up in 1982, he said.

"The presidents and administrative councils of the television channels... must be, and must remain, the sole judges of the quality of a programme and of the conditions under which viewers may be shown a controversial account of a painful moment of our history, organizing, if necessary, a debate in which the contrary point of view may be expressed," M Filiou said.

The film, which was to have been shown on the Second Channel on Sunday night, traces the history of a pre-dominantly Jewish group of immigrant Communist resistance fighters in Paris during the last war.

From the outset, the Communist Party took severe exception to the film suggestion that it could, and should, have done more to save the Manouchian group.

M Claude Héberlé, president of the Second Channel, sought the advice of the high authority, which set up a "jury" of former resistance fighters.

The jury advised against the showing on the grounds that it cast an unwarranted slur on the whole of the resistance movement. Mr Héberlé decided not to show the film.

Jayewardene and Gandhi make progress towards a solution for Sri Lanka

From Michael Hamlyn
Delhi

President JR Jayewardene of Sri Lanka and Mr Rajiv Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, appear to have reached som agreement on ways of moving towards a settlement of the Island Republic's ethnic problems.

Mr Jayewardene was smiling broadly as he flew back home after two days of talks in Delhi, but all that the careful press statement would say was that both sides agreed that "immediate steps would be tak to defuse the situation and create a proper climate for progress towards a political settlement", and that they both agreed "that all forms of violence should abate and finally cease".

"What we are talking about is stopping the incidents," a senior Sri Lankan travelling with the President said. A senior Indian official said the result of the talks both in Kelhi and on a flight to and from the cyclone-afflicted areas of Bangladesh, were "positive".

Neither side would make anything clear about the steps that were to be taken, but the Sri Lankan official drew attention o a statement by the senior Buddhist priest in Sri Lanka, the Mahanayake of Asiciriya, the Venerable Palipane Chandawana, urging talks with the rebel Tamil leaders.

Some kind of negotiations seem likely to be undertaken with the leaders of the rebel groups presently based in southern India, with the eventual aim of producing a ceasefire. At the same time negotiations with the Tamil political leaders will be taken up where they left off last December.

Mr Jayewardene said at Delhi airport that the unit of devolved power in any political restructuring would still be district development councils with coordinating councils linking them.

The President made it clear to me last year, however, that these coordinating councils could be considered as provincial councils. Last December the Tamil leaders said they were not satisfied with these proposals, and the President promptly broke off negotiations, but there seemed to be no reason now why they should not be resumed.

It is also likely that the amendment to Sri Lanka's constitution which prevented those espousing separatism from sitting in parliament, thus effectively disenfranchising the Tamils, will be withdrawn as part of a comprehensive settlement.

That the Tamils are prepared for talks was confirmed by Mr S Balasingham, the spokesman and chief theoretician of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, in Madras.

There is still of course a great deal of doubt as to how far Mr Jayewardene may go towards satisfying Tamil aspirations without grossly offending Sinhalese sentiments. There also may be doubts about how far India can go in meeting Sri Lankan hopes for putting a bridle on the militants in Madras.

However, the chances of both were made rather better in the world-wide reaction to the Tamil slaughter of innocent civilians in Anuradhapura two weeks ago, and to the increasing brutality of both sides

● COLOMBO: Four unidentifed men stopped a bus in the Eastern Province near Trincomalee and turned their guns on the passengers, killing about 13 and badly injuring nine, according to unconfirmed reports (a correspondent writes). Most of the passengers were Tamils.

Meanwhile Liberation Tigers in the north have claimed responsibility for Sunday's attack on the Kuchchevelli police station in the Eastern Province near Batticoloa. Two navy personnel were killed and eight policemen were injured.

The Government said six terrorists were killed by security forces.

Staff boosted to meet visa rush

Colombo (AP) – Britain's High Commission in Colombo has added two officers to its consular staff to deal with the rush of applications for visas to Britain, mostly from Tamils.

The staff now comprises four Britons and three Sri Lankans. Since the visa requirement was introduced last week more than 100 have been issued each day.



Key witness: Rebecca Quijano promising in Manila yesterday to stand by her previous testimony that a soldier shot the former opposition leader, Benigno Aquino when she is recalled for cross-examination in the trial of his alleged killers.

Solidarity trial turns into war of attrition

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw

The most important Solidarity trial for more than a year erupted yesterday in bitter arguments between the three dissidents and the presiding judge, who is rigorously trying to exclude political speeches from the Gdansk courtroom.

The defendants – historian and Solidarity theoretician Mr Adam Michnik and Solidarity organizers Mr Bogdan Lis and Mr Wladyslaw Frasyniuk" – are charged with trying to incite unrest by planning protest strikes against food-price rises, and with playing a leading role in the banned trade union.

The trial, regarded as the most important since the lifting of martial law, is proving to be a war of attrition, rather than the blitzkrieg anticipated by the authorities.

Yesterday Mr Frasyniuk, a bus driver from Wroclaw, refused to leave the cell in the courthouse and enter the court, in protest against "improper procedures" by the presiding judge, Mr Krzystof Ziemiuk.

He decided the trial could continue without Mr Frasyniuk, but Mr Michnik, stammering and waving his notes, protested and moved that the judge be replaced because of his lack of impartiality. The judge overruled him.

Then Mr Lis started to testify, but got no further than saying: "The authorities brought us to court in an act of revenge ... before being interrupted by the judge. Mr Lis decided to withhold all testimony.

Mr Michnik, meanwhile, complained that "as far as I know, Polish penal procedure allows defendants to express themselves".

The judge ruled this suggestion out of order and barred Mr Michnik from using notes

After four hours, the hearing, an erratic battle of wits, was adjourned to today, when one of the main principal witnesses, the Solidarity leader, Mr Lech Walesa, is expected to testify.

He was present when police raided the meeting of Solidarity activists in Gdansk on February 13. The police claim the group, and especially the three defendants, were plotting

● A Kielce court yesterday adjourned to June 11 the trial of two Roman Catholic priests accused of leading a sit-in protest at a college in protest against the removal of crucifixes from classrooms.

Commentary



Geoffrey Smith

Mr Paul Nitze, President Reagan's disarmament adviser, delivered a speech in Washington last Thursday that deserves to be studied carefully by everyoneho is worried by the prospect of damaging disagreement between the United States and its European allies over the Strategic Defence Initiative.

"It is the intention of the United States," he told the graduates of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, "to proceed in accordance with the procedures agreed in the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty." That might be mistaken for a ritual confirmation of a soothing reassurance. It was, on the contrary, an usually precise statement of American position and a pointer to possible misunderstandings in the future.

The key word in that sentence is "procedures". Mr Nitze was not saying that America's defence policy would be circumscribed by its obligations under the treaty. Indeed, he stated specifically that this commitment "does not imply a Soviet veto over our defence programmes". He was promising simply that the proper forms would be observed. This is a distinction of some significance which it is wise to recognize now.

It often seems to be assumed in Britain that the danger of transatlantic misunderstanding was eliminated by the Camp David accord reached between Mrs Thatcher and President Reagan last Christmas. All that is required is for both sides to be faithful to the four points agreed then.

But that is sheer wishful thinking. The accord was a subtle exercise in ambiguity, designed not to remove misunderstanding but to conceal it for the moment. By implication it accepted the case for research, though that was not mentioned specifically. It made no reference to testing; and it declared that, in view of treaty obligations, deployment would have to be a matter for negotiation.

US cannot ignore deployment ban

On this side of the Atlantic the promise to negotiate before deployment is often taken to mean a commitment not to deploy without agreement in such negotiations with the Soviet Union. But that would imply a Soviet veto, which Mr Nitze flatly denies. What the Americans are offering is simply to attempt, under the procedures laid down in the treaty, to reach agreement with the Soviet Union before deciding to deploy.

Mr Nitze drew attention to the various articles in the treaty providing for consultation and amendment to take account of changing technology. There is no reason under the treaty why such amendments should not be made. The difficulty is that neither is there any requirement that they should be. That would depend upon the agreement of the Soviet Union. What if such agreement is not forthcoming?

The US would then have the right formally to withdraw from the treaty. What it could not do would be to remain a signatory while simply ignoring the prohibition on deployment. But the formal withdrawal of the US from the ABM Treaty would offer a field day for Soviet propaganda in Western Europe unless European opinion were far more persuaded of the likely value of SDI than is now the case.

For the moment the dilemma may not seem pressing. A decision to deploy is not imminent. Nor does testing present an immediate problem. Because of technological developments in the meantime there is some uncertainty over the treaty's provisions on testing, and it may be something like five years before the US would wish to conduct tests that would unquestionably go further than is permitted.

Yet time is not on the side of transatlantic harmony. The Soviet Union has already made it clear that it will seek to play on European susceptibilities by suggesting that it is American intransigence over SDI that is preventing agreement at Geneva on intermediate range missiles and strategic weapons. The longer deadlock continues in the arms talks the more potent that argument is likely to be.

The sooner it is known whether SDI is a feasible proposition the better. If it is, that should induce the Soviet Union to negotiate over defensive systems. If it is not, that should persuade the US to give up the idea. Meanwhile, the best that one can realistically hope is that leaders on both sides of the Atlantic will keep in touch with the reality of each other's thinking.

Dismantling the Nimeiry regime

Sudanese upset by delays

From Gill Lusk, Khartoum

Two months after the overthrow of President Nimeiry, the prevailing sense of disappointment in Sudan at the slowness of change has been reinforced by the first "Address to the Nation" by the new Prime Minister.

Reviewing at the weekend his civilian Cabinet's first six weeks in office, Dr al-Gizuli Daffallah talked in only the most general terms of government policies and issues at the forefront of public concern.

These remain largely the same issues which dominated the protest leading to General Nimeiry's downfall on April 6 – political and economic corruption and mismanagement.

The Cabinet, and even more tha ruling Transitional Military Council, are widely accused of failing to act quickly enough to dismantle the old regime.

Delays on even beginning investigations leading to the trial of former ministers, security police and other Nimeiry stalwarts have cause widespread discontent. Senior civil servants accused of corruption and inefficiency remain at their desks in most of government departments.

Though the laborious weeding-out process has started, the complaint everywhere is that things are moving too slowly. When the pre-coup auditor-general last week was confirmed in his post, his staff of nearly 700 resigned in protest.

One of the most contentious issues remains the constitution and the legal system, especially the "September Regulations" – the Islamic law imposed in September 1983 by General Nimeiry.

Anger at these laws in the predominantly Muslim north of the country is seen as one of the main factors that eventually tipped the scales against General Nimeiry, while in the mainly non-Muslim south, they provided ample fuel for the guerrilla war still being sporadically waged by the Sudanese People's Liberation Movement.

While the politically important Unions Alliance and all political parties, except for the extreme right-wing Muslim Brotherhood, have demanded the abolition of the laws, the Government has dragged its feet.

Though in Saturday's speech Dr al-Gizuli repeated that the Government is "revising all the laws restricting freedoms", several government members, including the military council chairman, General Abdul-Rahman Swar al-Dahab, are understood to want to shelve the issue until after elections scheduled for a year's time.

This was "a breach of the agreement reached by the Transitional military Council and the Alliance last April", the Union Alliance spokesman, Mr Awad Al-Karim said at the weekend.

Relations between the military council and the Council of Ministers remain unclear, with the Unions Alliance, which led the anti-Nimeiry protest, demanding that all legislative powers be placed in the hands of the ministers.

Rather than consolidating their power, however, as many feared they would, the military men appear unable to deal with the power vacuums that are in evidence all around. Lack of decisiveness and political acumen are accusations far more commonly heard than dictatorial designs.

Government attempts at negotiations with the liberation movement leader, Colonel John Garang, have proved abortive

Californian Mafia alive and well

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles

Five years after Los Angeles police rounded up major mafia leaders and obtained convictions for racketeering, the organized crime family in southern California is "just as active and even more dangerous today", a leading prosecutor says.

Mr James D Henderson, the 38 year-old head of the US Government's organized crime force in Los Angeles says that despite the convictions and jailings, "the family has undergone a reorganization and is just as active and even more dangerous that before.

"It is sort of an irony that our success in that case created a vacuum and stimulated a serious effort to fill it," he told the *Los Angeles Times*.

Although Mr Henderson is retiring as head of the organized crime strike force he will be co-prosecutor in the trial of Vito Spillone and other alleged members of the Chicargo crime syndicate, who are charged with loan racketeering at poker card clubs in Bell, California.

Spillone, orginally from Chicago, now lives just outside Los Angeles and runs a wholesale restaurant supply company in El Monte.

The indicment alleges that Spillone and six others with conspiring to supplant local loan sharks and bookmakers at Los Angeles card clubs.

Clean bill of health for the Algarve

From Martha de la Cal, Lisbon

The Algarve has been given a clean bill of health by British and Scandinavian experts invited by Portugal's sanitation authority to inspect new drinking water purification facilities and sewage treatment plants there last week.

In a report presented to local health authorities, international tour operators and hotel owners in the Algarve, Professor Rodney Cartwright, director of the public health laboratory at Guildford, said: "The majority of the essential work on drinking water purification and sewage treatment in the municipality of Albufeira has been completed or is nearing completion. Assurances have been given that the system will be maintained in working order.

"It is now reasonable to expect that the risk of gastro-enteritis to holidaymakers who visit Albufeira will not be greater than in other resorts in southern Europe. Apart from precautions general to visitors in all resorts in Europe, no extra precautions are necessary for visitors to Albufeira."

His view was supported by two experts appointed by the Swedish Government. Senhor Joaquim Cabrito Neto, president of the hotel association in the Algarve, said pollution of sea water was within EEC standards. He told *The Times*: "It is very much below that of most other countries of Europe." Tourism on the Algarve was up 28 per cent over the first five months of last year.

Professor Cartwright was in the Algarve last summer when an epidemic of gastro-enteritis and salmonella filled hospitals with hundreds of British and Scandinavian tourists. He was invited by the hotel association to advise the Portuguese public health authority on measures to correct the situation. Many Scandinavians had cancelled tours.

The problem of contaminated drinking water was immediately cleared up by chlorination. In the past six months the sewage problem has all but been resolved with four treatment plants and further chlorination of treated sewage.

DeLorean to make comeback

Detroit (AP) – Mr John De Lorean yesterday said he planned to establish a high performance sports car plant in Columbus, Ohio, reviving a dream which ended with the bankruptcy of his Ulster based company.

Mr DeLorean, aged 60, said that he has been working on the venture, which would produce a car similar to his DMC-12

The owner of the proposed assembly plant site, Mr Marin Katz, bought most of the DeLorean Moter Company's parts inventory after it went bankrupt. He said he had an agreement to sell Mr DeLorean the components if the new car is built.

But a spokesman for creditors who own the disign and tradework rights of the DeLorean car, said the proposed new venture would raise "substantial legal questions".

Mr David Healy, a leading car industry analyst took an even dimmer view of investors' response to Mr DeLorean's plan.

"I think it would be more fun to just go out and throw your money off the Brooklyn Bridge."

Shift to English as ticket to Australia

From Tony Duboudin, Melbourne

Australia is to take more immigrants in the coming financial year and change the points system in some categories in a way which will favour English-speaking people.

The new programme, announced in Canberra yesterday by Mr Chris Hurford, Minister for Immigration, also means that Australia will take fewer refugees over the next 12 months.

The programme sets a target of 84,000 settlers for the coming 12 months, an increase of 4,000. A lot more skilled and business immigrants are being sought, with a target of 18,000, double the previous figure.

Mr Hurford also announced a revised points system, under which immigrants are graded according to skills and the demand for such skills in Australia. In the skilled, business and non-dependent family reunion categories the ability to speak English will now rate more highly.

The minister said language corses in Australia were full

By streamlining the system it was hoped that more of the planned intake of 84,000 would arrive in Australia in the 12 months than have in the past, when delays of up to 18 months occurred in processing applications.

● Australia will take the lead, possibly using its UN Security Council seat, to achieve a worldwide trade ban on South Africa, Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, has said.

Right linked to German hooliganism

From Frank Johnson
Bonn

Soccer hooligansim in West Germany does not approach British levels but it exists, and its link with right-wing extremism is more easily proved here than in Britain. This was shown by a case before Dortmund magistrates yesterday. Herr Siegfried Borchhardt, aged 31, was charged with breaches of the peace in connection with a match between Borussia Dortmund and HSV Hamburg on August 20, 1983.

Herr Borchhardt was said by the prosecution to be the "inciter" of the Borussia Front, a gang of soccer hooligans which has been classified by the federal security authorities as belonging to the "radical right".

Herr Borchhardt is apparently known as "SS Siggy" – Siggy being the affectionate form of Siegfried. It is said that the Borussia Front accompanies matches with chants of "Jews out" and "Turks out"

The prosecution said the gang attacked some Turks outside the radical right's favourite pub, near the ground. Herr Borchhardt is said also to have smashed a chair against the shutters of a Turkish cultural centre near by. He denied the charges.

He appeared in court dressed entirely in black. He gave a salute which, by splaying the fingers, stopped just short of being one of the Hitler variety. Otherwise he would have faced an additional charge, the Hitler salute being illegal in West Germany.

Brazil takes on land reform

From Patrick Knight, São Paulo

Brazil has announced plans to settle almost one and a half million landless farm workers in the next four years as the Government tackles the thorny problem of land reform.

The plan has the full backing of President José Sarney and is to be presented to Congress shortly. The first 100,000 are to be settled in the next 12 months.

The proposals, from the newly formed Ministry of Land Reform and Development, have inpuriated landowners. The president of their association, Senhor Flavio Menezes, said they were "unrealistic, radical and unacceptable".

The Government says that 45 per cent of the country's good farm land, about 400 million acres, is not being used. It cites census data showing that 1 per cent of landowners occupy almost half the land, while 90 per cent farm only 18 per cent of it.

The reform proposes that both unused Government-owned land and under-used land in private hands be re-allocated. Landowners would be paid in bonds redeemable over 20 years.

It will cost an estimated £2,000 to settle each family, on an average of 90 acres. But Senhor Menezes said this would hardly pay for the land itself, which represents only between a tenth and a third of the cost of starting a farm.

Other farmers' leaders say that existing small farmers should be given more help before reform is undertaken. They also would like return confined to government-owned land. They are concerned that new land conflicts can easily be provoked and cite an invasion by 1,300 landless people in Santa Catarina state last week.

The Government claims that small farmers grow relatively more food than large ones: In he north east a third of the farms of less than 25 acres produce 94 per cent of the basic cassava, 83 per cent of the maize and 82 er cent of the beans grown.

President Sarney said: "We are starting an agricultural reform to bring an end to rural violence, to restore peace to the countryside and to encourage food production."

Costa Rica cuts envoys to Managua

From Martha Honey
San José

Costa Rica is to reduce diplomatic relations with Nicaragua after a clash near the border in which a Costa Rican security guard was killed.

President Luis Alberto Monge accused Nicaragua of a "premeditated attack" against his country and of the "cold blooded murder" of a civil guardsman. He said six other guardsmen were wounded and two are missing.

Costa Rica will not send a new ambassador to Nicaragua and will cut back its embassy staff there "to an absolute minimun." He called for an emergency meeting of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the organization to station a permanent investigating commission along the border.

He thereby by passed a Nicaraguan proposal for the four nation Contadora Group to send an inspection team to the border as it has done in the past.

Nicaragua has denied that its forces either entered Costa Rica or fired into the country.

Prayers of protest split churches

From Michael Hornsby
Johannesburg

A row has broken out within the South African Council of Churches, one of the main sources of opposition to apartheid, over an appeal issued to the faithful to pray for the downfall of the Government.

The proposal is that the prayers should be said in churches on June 16, the day on which the Soweto uprising of 1976 is commemorated by blacks every year.

According to Dr Manas Buthelezi and Dr Allan Boesak, president and vice-president of the SACC, the summons to pray for the Government's removal was approved by the executive council in April.

The resolution called for the removal from power of those "who persist in defying (God's) laws" and "the present rulers in our country who persistently refuse to heed the cry for justice".

Other clergymen, however, including a former SACC president, the Rev Peter Storey, contend that this statement was never endorsed

Police raids uncover right-wing arsenal

'Dirty War' gangs return to sow terror

Concluding a two-part series. Douglas Tweedale in Beunos Aires looks at the resurgence of right-wing violence and the way President Raúl Alfonsin is coping with the sequels of military repression.

Paramilitary gangs active during the military Government's "dirty war" against terrorism in the 1970s have resurfaced to harass Argentina's 18-month old democratic Government, administration officials believe.

ARGENTINA'S TROUBLED DEMOCRACY
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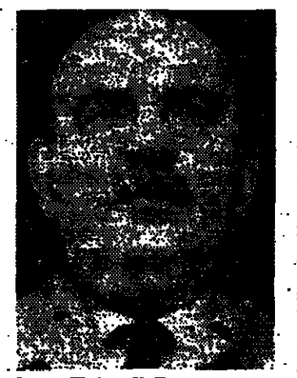
In the last two weeks, police and security experts have been tracking a gang, which they believe has been responsible for a recent wave of right-wing attacks and kidnappings for ransom.

Two members have been arrested and police raids on six hideouts turned up an arsenal of guns, hand grenades, plastic explosives, police radios, cars and lorries painted military green, and equipment to "bug" telephones.

The alleged leader of the gang, identified by government officials, is Señor Raúl Antonio Guglialminetti, a former bodyguard for the military chieftains who ruled Argentina after seizing power in March 1976. Señor Guglialminetti, who is still at large, is reported to have used the alias of "Major *Guastabino*" and is believed to have served as an instructor for paramilitary groups during the "dirty war".

Last week, one Interior Minister, Señor António Tróccoli, said: "For the first time in Argentine History, we are deactivating a right-wing terrorist group." On Thursday, he went before a special session of Congress to explain what the Government knows about the activities of right-wing squads.

Police and government spokesman have said the gang broken up last week was probable responsible for at least two out of three recent kidnappings involving wealthy businessmen, for the bombing of a state-owned radio transmitter last month, and for other unspecified right wing attacks. The raids by police came after the release of a kidnapped industrialist whose family is said to have paid $4 million in ransom.



Señor Tróccoli: De-activating right-wing terrorists

Señor Raúl Galván, the under secretary of the Interior, warned Argentines that other similar gangs are probably active and further attacks are likely. "It would be naive to suppose that this is the only such terrorist group," he said.

Last week, unidentified gunmen fire-bombed the car of an Army colonel known to be loyal to President Alfonsin telling his chauffer: "Warn your boss not to be an Alfonsin lackey," before setting the car alight.

Suggestively, the upswell of violence coincides with the first six of the widely-publicized trial of nine former military Junta members accused of masterminding a campaign of right-wing state terroism.

During the mid 1970s, paramilitary groups under military supervision are believed to have kidnapped, tortured and killed nearly 9,000 suspected leftists in a "dirty war" against guerrilla groups.

One of President Alfonsin's first actions was to order the court-martial of the nine top military leaders for crimes committed in that "dirty war". Public hearings began six weeks ago, and the press has given prominent coverage to the shocking tales

Retired military officers and right-wing politicians have criticized the trials as unfair and defended the "dirty war".

Senor Galvan admitted last week that some of the right-wing terrorists may have been on the payroll of military intelligence services which carried out much of the dirty work in the 1970s.

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Air conditioner manufacturer, wants to establish a collaboration – relationship, for commercialization of his products.

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Hospital clash kills five

San Salvador (Reuter) – Four policemen and a patient were killed yesterday when Salvadorean police and security forces stormed a government hospital to crush a strike, officials and witnesses said.

Four police were killed in a gun battle and a patient died from a heart attack. Hospital staff were tied up and patients bound to their beds in the takeover.

About 4,500 social security workers, on strike since May 6 to press for a £60 a month pay rise, have been ordered to report to work today, but union spokesmen said they would continue the strike until their demands were met.

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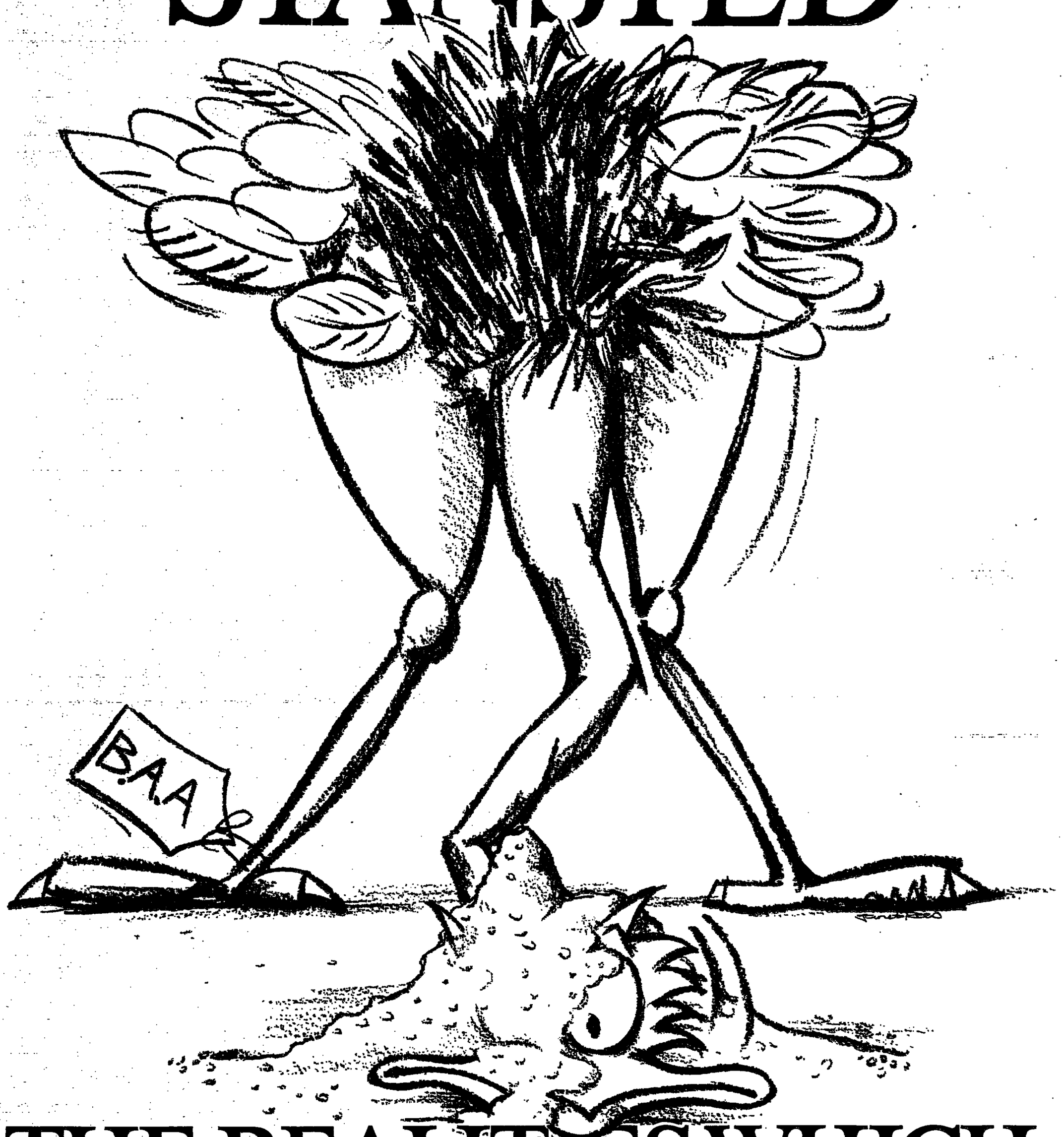
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THE REALITIES WHICH CANNOT BE IGNORED

The Secretary of State for Transport has expressly denied rumours that the Government has firmly opted for Stansted as London's third airport.

So there is still room for reason to have its say and a once and for all opportunity to bring forward an air transport policy which is truly in the national interest. And there has never been a time when such a policy has been so necessary and would be so welcome by the regions of this country where reality is dominated by unemployment, low economic activity and social disparity. (In the North unemployment approaches 20%; redundancies are 121 per 1,000 employees, and in some regions 50% of the unemployed have been out of work for over a year. Yet the Environment Secretary is still being urged to relax the planning system to encourage further growth in the South East).

A major Stansted development would drive an even deeper wedge between North and South. It would also waste £1,000 million of public money on duplicating facilities already existing at our regional airports.

In our submission, a realistic Government response to the Stansted proposal which would be welcomed by many millions living outside the South East would embody:

1. Modest development of Stansted, so it can serve its own catchment area as an efficient regional airport.

2. Every encouragement for Heathrow to achieve its full potential.

3. An end to the threat of unfair competition against regional airports by a heavily subsidised Stansted.

4. Unrestricted access to the regional airports for all carriers wishing to use them.

5. Overseas promotion of regional tourist attractions.

These five points form a framework for a balanced airports policy safeguarding the interests of the whole nation – not just the South East. It would be a step towards parity of treatment for regions which at present suffer a grossly disproportionate burden of the nation's unemployment.

The regions are not asking for more money, but simply a chance to let our airports do the job for which they were created. Answer the Stansted proposals with fairness and realism!

This message has been presented for the urgent consideration of Parliament by the North of England Regional Consortium, representing all shades of political, commercial and public opinion and comprising:

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SPECTRUM

A licence to watch over the world

With the growth in sophistication of satellites and aerials, says David Hewson, we shall soon be tuning in to television stations around the globe

Over there, says Donald Gamlen, pointing to the side of a large conifer in his leafy Hampshire garden. "you'll find Intelsat. There is ECS – and this is Gorizont."

With a light push, he swings the dish aerial perched outside the first floor of his house, points it 14° west of south into a brilliant summer sky and Russian television, with perfect colour and sound, appears on the set in the corner of the room.

The technical complexities and jargon which bedevil satellite television tend to be forgotten when one faces the reality of the medium in action. In a few minutes, Mr Gamlen is able to demonstrate the astonishing range of services open to anyone with the ability – and right – to receive them.

Switching through his satellite receiver, he picks up a cycle race in Italy, a Swiss entertainment service, and a new Belgian current affairs channel which he finds for the first time.

Then there are the English language channels: non-stop pop from the Music channel, films from TEN and Premiere, the children's channel Jack in the Box and a sports network, Screen Sport, all of them principally designed for reception by cable networks. There is also talk of Moskva, the Russian service, introducing sub-titles in English, a prospect Mr Gamlen is anxiously awaiting.

"It's the most interesting to watch – the character of the Russians comes through and you get a very good impression of the vastness of the country. The opera and ballet are wonderful." Moskva was having one of its lean patches during our visit – a literary luncheon marked by much intellectual back-slapping was followed by a modernistic film on the manufacture of textiles.

But the range of channels in this Hampshire study are a measure of the earth-shaking developments facing television viewers and the industry which serves them over the next few years. Receiving programmes from the sky may take a degree of technical knowledge at the moment and demand expensive equipment which is not yet mass-produced, but it is no cult for hobbyists in the way that CB or ham radio is.

Satellite television will become a mass medium, if it is allowed to. In the wealthy Spanish city of Palma on Majorca, British expatriates are already queueing up to buy ready-made satellite systems to view channels which are largely barred to those living back home.

Today the medium is a bewildering mixture of high-tech and back-garden bodging. Donald Gamlen's electronic expertise enabled him to set up his system without outside help, but the job of changing channels – and satellites – can have its comic dimensions. One aerial – covering the Russian satellite and the European "bird" – sits outside the window on scaffolding. A degree of agility 20 feet above the ground is required to shift the dish to the required position for either satellite. In his back garden, a further dish is tuned permanently to a second European satellite, necessitating the trimming of an overhanging oak tree. But this "bird" transmits two types of signals – one vertical, one horizontal – and to switch between the two, Mr Gamlen must shimmy up a 15-foot ladder to adjust the low noise amplifier at the heart of the dish.

The rapid advance of satellite reception technology is making these physical jerks obsolete. Aerial motors and bi-directional amplifiers will mean that the perennial problem of today's satellite watcher – having to brave the rain to find something more interesting to watch – will be a thing of the past.

Astonishing as it may seem it was illegal, until recently, for Britons to receive satellite transmissions. A few, like Mr Gamlen, were given experimental licences, but a concerted lobby of vested interests has fought to keep the reception of international television out of the hands of the general public.

Low-powered satellite transmissions have been used by television companies since the 1960s for sending signals from one region to another.

They have been aimed principally at transmissions between broadcasters, and not from television stations directly to viewers. But technology has raced ahead of the political ability to control its consequences.

The medium was originally envisaged as a means of disseminating programmes to large cable networks throughout Europe at a time when it seemed inconceivable that individuals could afford the right equipment. Now anyone with around £1,500 to spend can receive the transmissions and the cost should halve in the next 12 months.

The Government has been under some natural pressure to allow its citizens to tune into the channels beamed above their heads. After all, broadcasting restrictions normally cover the transmission of material, not its reception. Until two weeks ago, it was a specific criminal offence to watch the innocuous output of a European television channel, simply because a consortium of vested interests wanted to strangle at birth satellite broadcasts which were outside their own control.

Warren Harrison



Fine tuning: Donald Gamlen adjusting a television aerial

Two weeks ago, after concerted pressure from industry and mindful of the fact that illegal satellite reception was already growing, the Department of Trade and Industry finally announced a degree of liberalization of the reception laws. No longer was it to be an offence for the individual to receive a low-powered satellite broadcast.

In a somewhat grudging statement, the DTI announced that it will license low-powered satellite reception systems, even on an individual basis, though it added pessimistically that because of cost "it seems unlikely that this facility will be taken up in the short-term by many members of the general public". It was wrong. Satellite TV Antenna systems, a British company geared up for the liberalization which had previously been selling its products abroad, has been inundated with individual inquiries since the relaxation was announced.

But how de-regulated is the new policy? For the individual, completely. A £10 licence, planning permission for a dish aerial, and the necessary equipment are all that is needed.

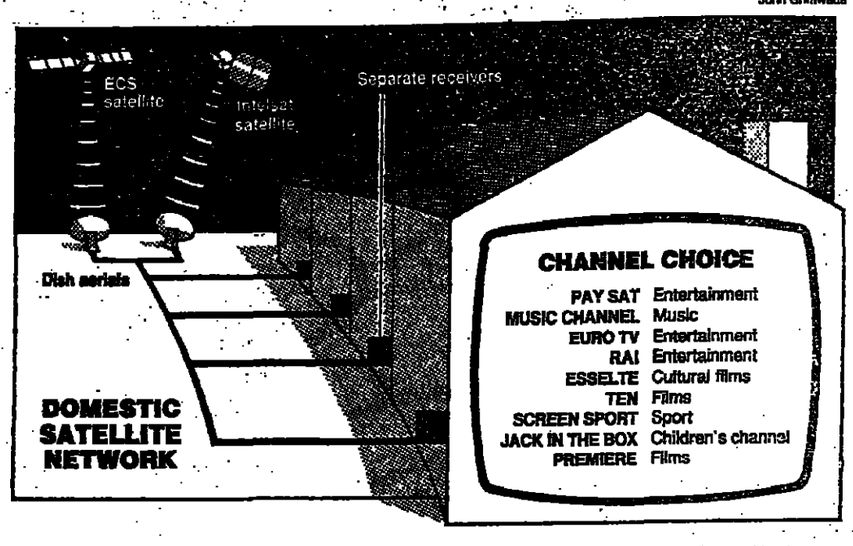
Where the policy is considerably less adventurous is in the area of small cable systems, possibly ones of four or five houses where a group of neighbours pool their resources to form a common network. The DTI wants to protect the larger cable business which has been going through decidedly sticky times. So any system serving more than one household will require a licence from the Cable Authority and will find its conditions severely restricted. Licences will be granted for shorter periods of time than is given to the big systems; and if a large operator does arrive in the area eventually, the neighbours will have to cease operating.

The threat of withdrawal may well turn out to be a bluff. Mr Peter Gray, managing director of Satellite TV Antenna Systems, commented: "It doesn't matter what the Government says, satellite is here. Do you really think people who pay to put in a satellite dish today are going to take it out in five years so that someone can dig up their garden to put in a cable?"

In the leafy glades of Hampshire, Mr Gamlen also feels that the technological innovations have gained a momentum which cannot be matched by bureaucratic attempts to control it.

"If you look back at the early days of radio, people used to tune in to the whole of Europe. Who does that now? This is where there is real scope. When you watch all these channels for a while, your policy becomes one of live and let live. When I watch the Russian channel, which is the most interesting, it doesn't frighten me. It just makes me think I should keep my powder dry. I know that if we don't get a free hand ourselves for industry and commerce in this area, we will be left behind."

John Grinwade



Low-down on high-tech transmissions

With the right equipment, anyone who has access to a clear space to the sky can receive satellite television services. There are two ways you can approach the venture – as an individual, or in combination with your neighbours.

Individually: first obtain your licence from the Department of Industry, Room 513, Waterloo Bridge House, Waterloo Road, London SE1 8UA, price £10. Planning regulations are now being changed which may mean that you need planning permission for your dish aerial of 1.5 to 1.8 metres. Once you have these, you need a satellite receiver and associated electronics, which should cost around £1,000 and £500 for a dish aerial. If you want to receive foreign stations which use a different colour system to that in Britain, your set will require a SECAM converter. Either buy an export model TV set capable of dealing with PAL colour and SECAM (JVC and Luxor are among the manufacturers who make such models for around £500), or find an electronics dealer who will insert a SECAM decoder into your existing set which could cost up to £100.

Communally: apply to the Cable Authority for a licence. They can be found at Gillingham House, 38–44 Gillingham Street, London SW1V 1HU.

You will need to decide at an early stage the shape of your system. It would be possible to have one aerial and one receiver feeding a number of houses, but this would leave the choice of channel in the hands of the household possessing the receiver. A reasonable compromise would be for each household to own a receiver and associated electronics (£1,000 each) and to share two aerials, one tuned to Intelsat and one to ECS (total cost £1,000). This would enable every household to tune to any station on both satellites. If you want to receive foreign stations, each television would need a SECAM set or converter (see preceding paragraph). But if one receiver on the system did not have the converter, it would not affect the reception of the other members.

Aerials: at the moment these vary between 1.8m and 1.5m in diameter. They will get smaller and cheaper. At the moment, they tend to be adjusted manually to find the necessary satellite. By the end of the year, however, motorized versions should be on sale which will automatically seek a sky location when you press a channel number on your television remote control. Bear in mind, however, that a communal system using more than one satellite will still require one dish per transmission if everyone on the network is to have a full choice of channels.

Satellites available: the British viewer currently has three choices. The oddest one is the Russian satellite Gorizont which carries the Moskva culture channel. It runs on a different frequency to the rest and requires additional equipment.

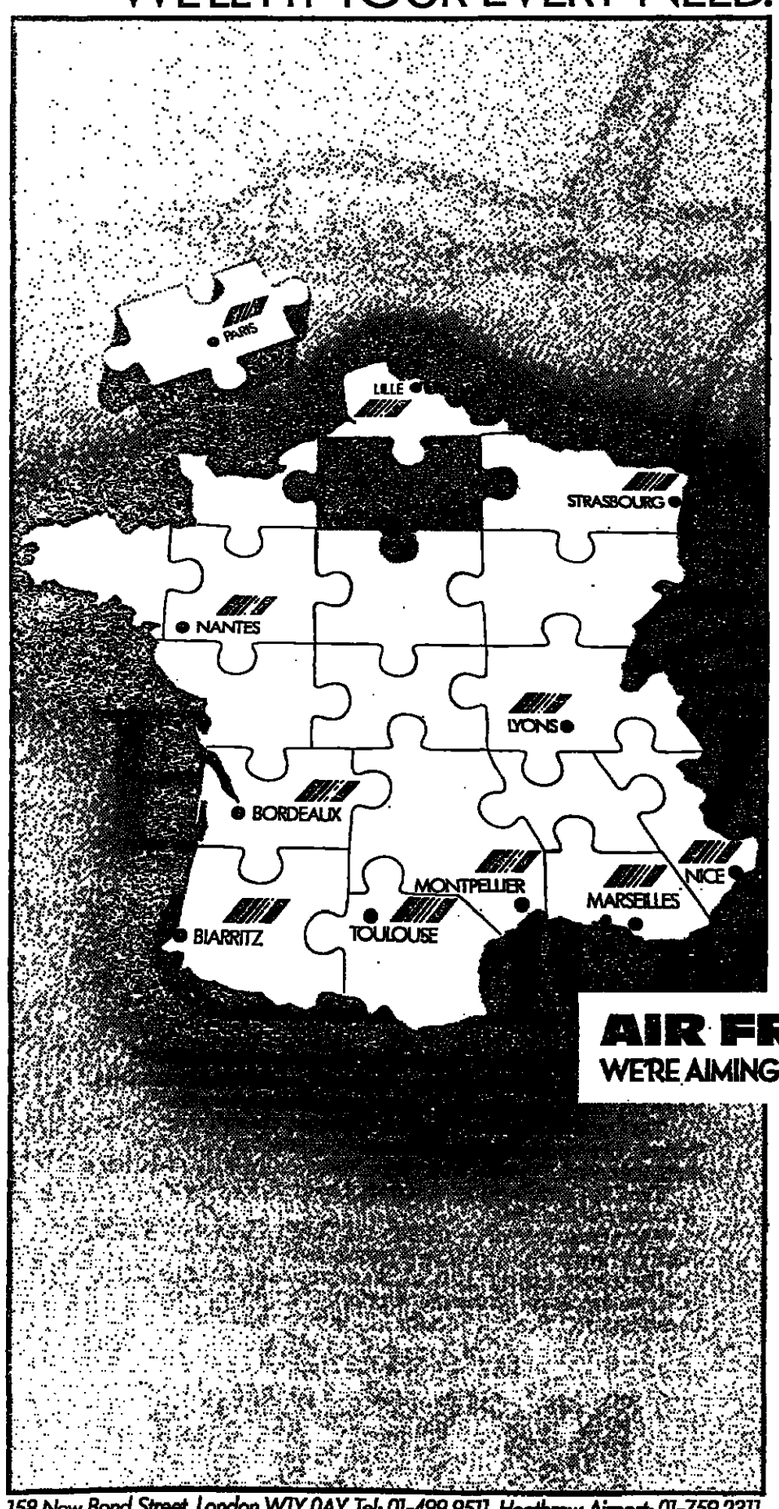
Intelsat runs on the more conventional 11GHz band and transmits four unscrambled English services: TEN, Premiere, Jack in the Box and Screen Sport. More channels, including the American news network CNN, are on the way though they may be scrambled, as is News International's Sky Channel, to prevent reception by unauthorized users.

ECS, or the European Communications Satellite, has five unscrambled channels: a Swiss entertainment network, a British 24-hour pop music channel, Dutch and Italian entertainment networks, and a Belgian cultural channel.

New channels are expected on both ECS and Intelsat, and it seems prudent to invest in 11 GHz technology and not the 4GHz of Gorizont.

Copyright: satellite systems suppliers often collect subscriptions of up to £8 a month for film channels such as TEN and Premiere. Other channels carry notices asking anyone who watches them to write to their headquarters for permission to continue doing so. The legal position for anyone who refuses to pay a subscription is untested. While these offenders may well be in breach of copyright, the task of tracking them down could prove extremely difficult.

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TALKBACK

United in a lack of faith

From Nicolas Walter, Rationalist Press Association, 88 Islington High Street, London, N1

Serena Sutcliffe need not feel "set apart by a a lack of faith", in the words of her Comment. As an atheist, she is one of about 10 per cent of the population (as many as Roman Catholics, and more than all the non-Christian religions put together); about another 10 per cent have no positive religious belief: so somehing like 10 million people in this country share her lack of faith.

Contrary to her Comment, we are not a "wretched band", and we suffer no "angst"; we have plenty of "joy in our lot", and we do want more people "to join our ranks".

We have a strong "sense of belonging" and "solidarity" in a sceptical tradition which is older and wider than Christianity and in a freethought movement that has existed for several centuries.

From the Rev Raymond Martin, Rector of the Redmarley Group of parishes, The Rectory, Redmarley D'Abitot, Gloucester.

The trouble with atheists such as Serena Sutcliffe (*The Times*, Friday, May 24) is that they presumably do not keep up to date with developments in Church liturgy.

I would agree with her that the introduction to the form of solemnization of matrimony in the 1662 Prayer Book leaves a lot to be desired. However, I believe that the introduction to the marriage service in the Alternative Service Book gives both a better emphasis to marriage and also employs much more acceptable language. I commend her to read it.

Beware those guidebooks, warns **Frank Barrett**

The lure of the small hotel

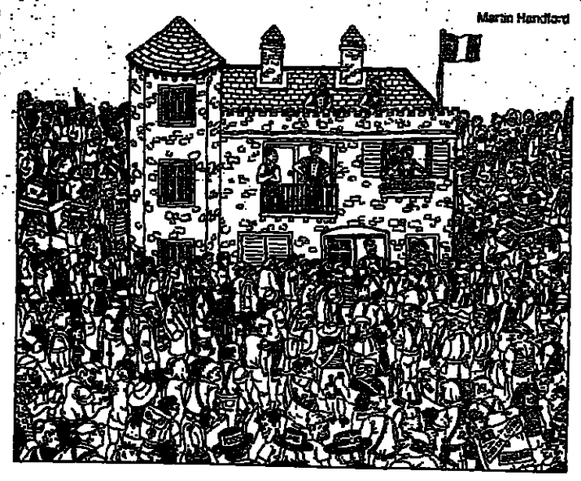
If the ferry companies are to be believed, this summer is going to see an enormous increase in the number of people taking their cars across the Channel to France. Do-it-yourself holidays in France – either staying in a self-catering *gite* or using extremely good value French country hotels – have become an increasingly good buy compared with a two-week package on the Spanish costas.

Those setting off on a trip to France are also likely to have been inspired by the growing list of books which offer an "insider's guide" by writers such as Patricia Fenn *(French Entrée)* and Richard Binns *(French Leave)*. The most famous of all is Arthur Eperon whose books such as *Traveller's France* and *French Selection* have racked up huge sales

These books may evoke the civilized charms of rural France but they have started a wholly uncivilized debate which questions the sense, and also perhaps the morality, of spotlighting small, family-run hotels in such guides. The glowing write-ups attract hordes of British visitors to their doors, turning small rural hotels into what have been described as "GB-plate ghettos".

Mike Bruce-Mitford runs Vacances Franco-Britanniques which offers *gite* and hotel holidays to "the *real* France". One of the hotels included in his programme of auberge holidays in rural France is the Auberge de la Durdent in the small Normandy village of Hericourt-en-Caux, 30 miles from Le Havre. In the first edition of her *French Entrée* guide in 1982, Patricia Fenn gave this hotel a rave review: "Perfection; pretty, peaceful, welcoming, good food and cheap. . .Mme Lebarq is a friendly, most attractive hostess who does everthing she can to ensure her customers' enjoyment. . .The auberge is old and beamy and the fast-flowing river Durdent divides the eating and drinking bit from the sleeping bit. . .You have to navigate a little bridge betwen the two - handrails provided for reasons that become obvious after experiencing one of Mme Lebarq's meals and a generous vieux calavados or two. . .A double room costs 70F. If she doubled that sum, I can think of no better bargain".

Martin Handford



But in the most recent edition of the guide, the Auberge de la Durdent now gets something of an all-round pasting: "It is five years now since I first wrote about the auberge and its charming, recently-widowed patronne, Madame Lebarq. . . .

"But the word spread, other guidebooks caught on, a tour operator moved in . . . Nowadays the letters are roughly three to one against. Mostly they are written more in sorrow than in anger . . . I don't think I shall go back until I hear that matters have improved".

If Patricia Fenn is looking for an explanation behind the deterioration of standards and service at the hotel, she need look no further than her own first euphoric write-up. That's the view of Mike Bruce-Mitford who was sending VFB clients to the Auberge de la Durdent before its inclusion in Patricia Fenn's book – and saw it suddenly swamped under the tidal wave of British visitors clutching *French Entrée*.

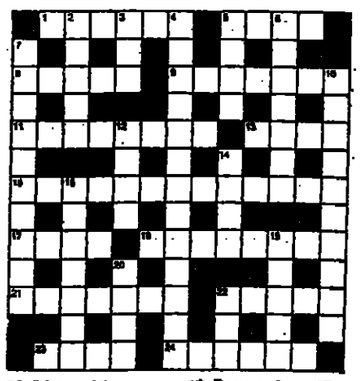
"It's about time that Patricia Fenn and the others accepted responsibility for the effect that this degree of over-exposure has. It's almost impossible for a small hotel of this sort, run by one lady single-handed, to cope with the pressure of business brought about by such a glowing write-up. Authors should bear this in mind."

The problem is clear. You find a quiet, attractive, uncrowded hotel – you praise it to the skies, and then it's no longer quiet and uncrowded. Patricia Fenn admits that it's an "interesting point" but argues that other hotels upon which she has heaped praise have coped with success rather better than the Auberge de la Durdent.

While Patricia Fenn may plead not guilty to destroying the charm and character of small French hotels, she is quite happy to see Arthur Eperon brought into the dock on the same charge. She claims that the Eperon style of focusing on a few hotels in an enormous area – just three in the whole of Brittany, for example – does have the effect of swamping these hotels with British visitors. "People know, don't they, that nearly all the hotels in the Eperon books are likely to be full of English people – you need to use a certain common sense."

So if you're planning a motoring trip round France this summer what books should you buy? The best solution would seem to be to take the pop guides like the Fenn book and the Eperon books. That way at least you'll know how to avoid the British colonies. To find the quiet, unspoilt hotels (and there are still a few left) you'll need the Red Michelin and take particular note of the maps which show the pleasant, secluded, quiet hotels. These are signified by a pictogram of the Michelin Man relaxing in a rocking chair. You should also take along the yellow *Auberges de France* guide and the *Relais et Chateaux* guide – both available from the French tourist office in Piccadilly, London W1.

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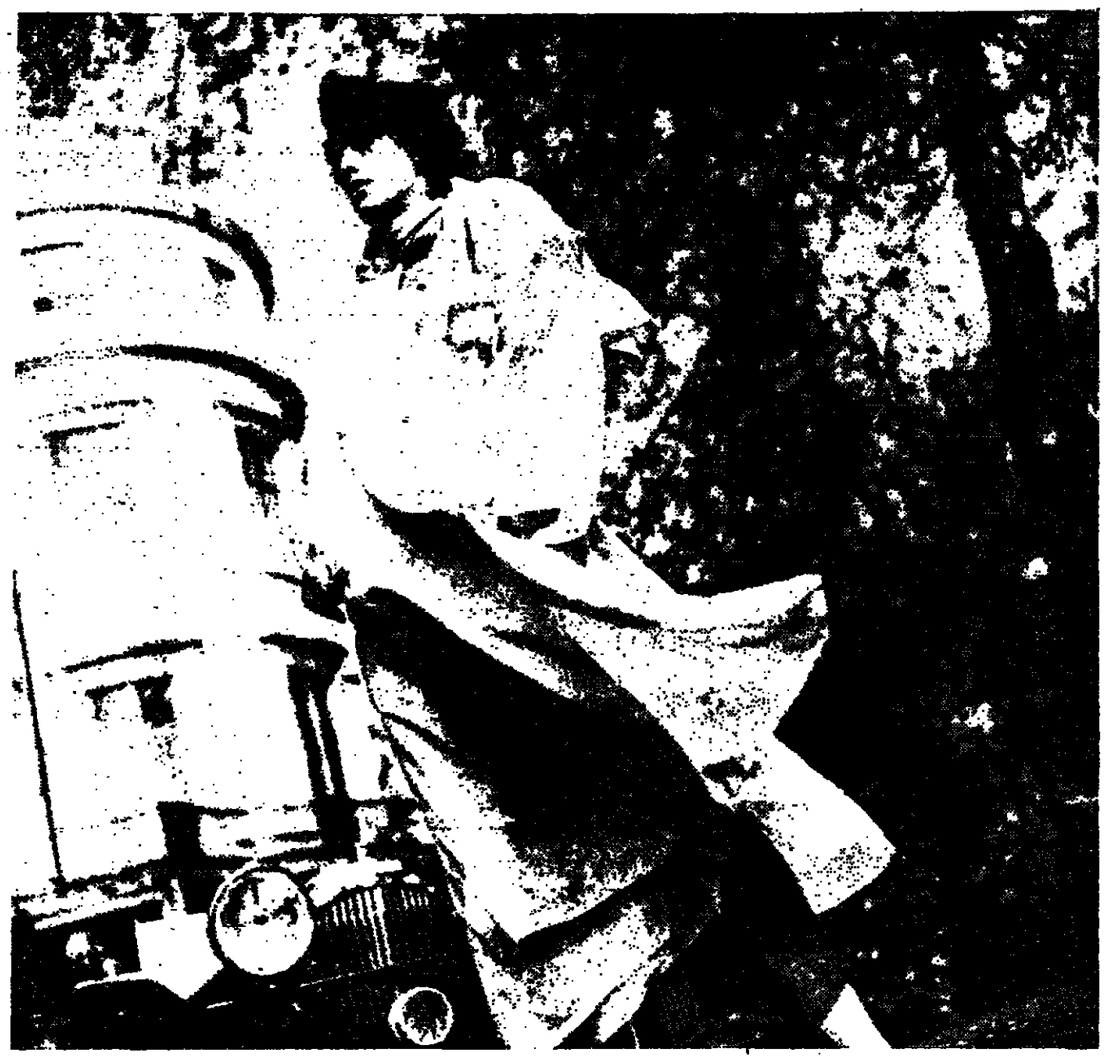
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FASHION by Suzy Menkes



Above: Betty Jackson's over-size silk seersucker duster in palest peach with blue £242, over *Katharine Hamnett's fantail back apricot cotton poplin skirt £62, matching smock shirt £62, all from* Joseph, 6 Sloane Street, SW1
Luggage antique and modern from Louis Vuitton, 149 New Bond Street, W1



Above right: Shell pink silk duster coat £98, rippling pastel blue silk tent dress *£90, both by Barbara de Vries from Joanna's Tent, Kings Road,* SW3; The Vestry, South Molton Street, W1; Rages, Twickenham; Sharie, Ashford, Kent; Cruise, Glasgow. Blue chiffon scarf from Kenzo, 17 Sloane Street, SW3

TRAVELLING LIGHT



Gossamer-fine orange silk trench by K.W. in a selection of brightly coloured silks, £80 from Focus, 295 Kings Road, SW3, Mango of Windsor, Rider Walker, 116 Long Acre, WC2 and The Other Cheek, Canterbury. Damask pattern cotton leggings by Michiko Koshino £31 from 7 Dering Street, W1. Shoes, Hobbs



Pale brown linen collarless coat £230, plain damask dress £159, orange chiffon scarf in brilliant colours, all from Kenzo, 17 Sloane Street, SW3

Photographs by Richard Imrie



Featherlight nylon duster coat in apricot, ice blue, mint green, white and red, by Tramway £89, ribbed cotton polo neck dress £55, both from Focus, 295 Kings Road, SW3, Mango of Windsor, Exception, Glasgow and Edinburgh

Hair and Make-up by Tracie Martyn for Trevor Sorbie. Legende M 45, 1934 supplied by Paradise Garage, London SW8

Dressing for travel is a thing of the past – but what history it has made. The Brief Encounters of stage and screen – Bogart on the tarmac in *Casablanca* and ocean liners full of weepy farewells – are matched by fashions on the move.

The long journey from coach and horses to Concorde has produced beacons of style. The carriage cloak with its shoulder cape to catch the drips was the forerunner of the modern mackintosh. The Grand Tour brought us the Burberry; all those sensible blanket checked coats were designed round smutty stations. The entire art deco decade seemed to be anchored on boats: double-breasted, brass-buttoned blazers; easy flannel trousers for both sexes; jaunty panamas; regatta stripes and Chanel's Deauville jerseys.

Air travel brought in the fur-collared leather jacket, which has had a fashion life that spans the wings of the first bi-planes and the latest jets. The flying suit, like so many of the travel clothes, was an early example of men and women dressing alike, which has developed into the androgynous fashions of the 1980s.

Then there are the joys of the open road. I do not share Mr Toad's view of the delight of the noisy, bone-shaking, oil-spilling early motors. But the clothes from that period are as fine a vintage as the cars: impossibly wide-brimmed hats held under the chin with a wisp of lace; silk mufflers flying in the face of safety to strangle poor Isadora; gross leather gauntlets with furry backs; and over those elegant Edwardian travelling costumes, the billowing duster coat.

As the image of the intrepid early travellers in their pioneer sports clothes freezes into period posters, their dress has an increasingly nostalgic appeal – not least for designers who create high fashion.

This summer, the all-enveloping duster coat is back on the road, not for motoring, but for summer in the city. This is the most luxurious of dust covers, made up in pure silk, unlined, light as a breeze and in Watteau colours: palest aqua, shell pink, eau de nil, with the occasional flash of burnished orange or flame red and a great deal of white.

The shapes are loose but not languid, and the coats make a street-wise summer cover-up – more malleable and more avant-garde than the lightweight jacket and cool enough to keep on through sun and shade.

The duster coat is matched by the big dress cut on the same loose lines, like a tent of parachute silk rippling across the body. The alternative garments to wear underneath are tightly fitted dresses and skirts – the clingy stretch cotton tubes of slim long skirts and dresses that make an interesting counterpoint to billowing silk and loose cottons.

Much of today's fashion seems to be a conflict of directions, so that clothes are either generously cut or very fitted; heels are either extremely high or totally flat; and prices are either at high street level or very costly.

The duster coats seem to span these extremes in that they are now being produced in all kinds of fabrics, styles and prices. I think the silks and the simplest lines have the most appeal, buy you will find also pale shrouds of linen, trench or wrap coats to belt at the waist, big dresses to sash at the hips, cotton printed and plain like a vast shirt, and even heavier-weight coats in cotton jerseys and viscose.

The odd thing is that the duster coat revival seems to be a street-led movement, backed by avant-garde designers, and the clothes are available mainly in off-beat shops. Yet this seem to be a fashion style which would work for all ages and especially all sizes, worn over the more conventional summer silks as well as the high fashion leggings and stirrup pants.

The coats express themselves in movement and fly like a flag in the wind. And if you define travelling clothes as those which arrive at their destination less distressed than you are, a big, cool, comfortable tent seems just the thing to wear.

Queen Victoria was starting her reign and the crinoline its expansion, when 16-year-old Louis Vuitton became an apprentice packer.

Finding it difficult to fit Empress Eugenie's ballooning skirts into the existing luggage, Vuitton made up a few trunks of his own. The rest, as they say, is history, and that past travel glory is brought splendidly to life at the Victoria and Albert Museum, where the costume gallery has packed in treasures as artfully as Louis stowed away 30 pairs of shoes in a travelling *nécessaire*.

Men, too, were subject to vanity and carried toiletries in the cut glass bottles and silver topped jars of a crocodile travel case.

Vuitton's success was in responding to travel needs. He produced the first steamer bag, the forerunner of the soft modern luggage that has become the ultimate (and most copied) of status symbols. Then, as now, they carried out special orders. The most ridiculous piece of travel chic is the completely stowable carriage ordered by a lady who was travelling to Persia and feared for her posterior on native springs.

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These uniform flights of fancy

"I wanted a look of authority without the military overtones", said Roland Klein last week, as he launched his new designs for British Airways staff.

The concept of a uniform is today almost a dirty word – especially so for those who work in the so-called "dirty" jobs that actually require a cover-up.

Waitresses, canteen staff, hospital porters and caretakers prefer the bright new euphemisms "workwear" or "career clothing". Their "uniforms" are now checked and striped and made in relentlessly jolly colours – orange, turquoise, sunshine yellow – to remove any hint of services navy or institution green.

For women's jobs, a uniform is almost a misfortune. A *modern-day Bateman cartoon* might depict "The Nanny who turned up in Uniform at the School Gates", trying to hide the embarrassment of her biscuit brown Norland dress from the thoroughly modern nannies in their designer jeans.

The uniform as a signal of professional skill – a bright beam of confidence from wearer to consumer – has long since been undone.

FASHION EDITOR'S COMMENT

Railway staff, bus conductors, postmen, have all followed schoolchildren in seeing how far they can go in turning a tailored uniform into casual wear. First goes the cap, then the top shirt button; next the sweat shirt underneath. The final triumph over authority is when the uniform trousers are swapped for jeans. No matter that denim started its life as French workwear, or that it has now become a uniform of youth.

Many of the remaining vestiges of authority clothing – and most especially my son's extremely expensive and all-too-destructible school blazers – are a nonsense and a nuisance.

Uniforms seem to dawdle behind social change, catching up with current styles and fabrics just as fashion is moving on. Sometimes uniforms are stranded altogether, like the Beefeaters' Shakespearean frocks, or the ceremonial court breeches, beached in the 18th century, which cause perennial embarrassment to incoming ambassadors.

The police, the services and the airports are the last bastions of modern uniform – authority clothing with sharp creases in trousers and sleeves and none at all round the knees.

British Airways rightly assumes that we have confidence that the chap who shines his buttons knows which ones to push.

Roland Klein's uniforms for the male cabin staff are a complete success, because he has managed to relax the strict lines while keeping to tailoring. A double-breasted blazer, a trench and pleat front trousers suggest classics of British style.

The women's uniforms are good in parts: a splendid wrap coat and a neat blazer over an indeterminate overshirt and a very stern skirt.

Defining an air hostess in terms of clothing is a difficult task when her image is already so uncertain. The publicity department sees her as a siren of the skies, luring tired businessmen on to the Scotch on the rocks.

Part sick-nurse, part waitress, a computer operator for passenger lists and a- maid-of-all-work in the aisles – could any outfit be designed to suit all her roles and needs?

Uniforms also carry an image of sexual pulling power. This is nothing new, and not wholly to do with women. From Lydia in *Pride and Prejudice* to Christopher Robin's Alice marrying her Guard, men have traditionally appealed to women because of the cut of their military cloth.

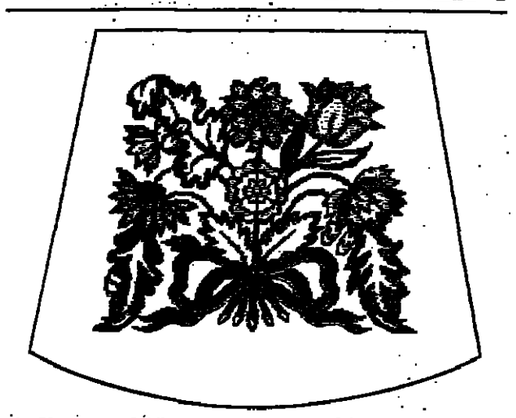
An earnest Freudian psychologist once explained to me that the Englishman's view of a woman in uniform was conditioned by the nanny and the public school matron. And while the regimes may have ended, the nostalgia for starched aprons lingers on.

The British Airways stewardesses do not wear starched aprons, only a practical navy *tablier* for serving meals. I would like to tell Roland Klein, after his year-long work, staff research and effort, that the flying public up there really cares about the clothes.

But I fear that, even in our feminist age, the only interest the predominantly male air passengers take in women's uniforms, comes at the moment of take-off.

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THE TIMES DIARY

Just contrary

London, I can reveal, is to be twinned. Not with Washington, Paris or Moscow, but with Managua, the run-down capital of strife-torn Nicaragua. The decision was taken during a closed session of the GLC's Labour group late last month, while Ken Livingstone yesterday described it to me as "a gesture of support" for the Sandinistas in their struggle against the Reagan administration. Kenneth Baker, the local government minister charged with GLC abolition, was incredulous. "The only thing Managua and London have in common is upwardly mobile Marxist politicians," he remarked, before contacting our man in Managua to find out if it has a directly elected municipal authority (it doesn't). How much Londoners will pay for this privilege, whether they will be expected to undertake cultural exchanges with Managuans, and whether the twinning will devolve on to all 32 London boroughs in 10 months' time no one at County Hall can say. "It's all being worked out at the moment," a spokesman told me. "There will be no junkets or freebies. It's only for the economic good of Londoners and Managuans."

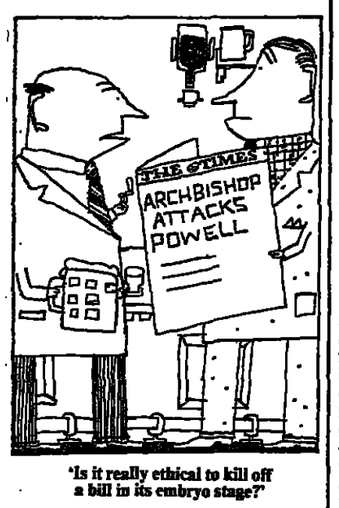
Quid pro quo

Even David Owen's office admitted it was surprised. A speculative request from the SDP leader – in America to address Minnesota industrialists today – came up trumps and late yesterday he was received at the White House by President Reagan. A sign that Reagan regards Owen as the next prime minister? More of a favour returned, I think. In the late 1970s when Owen was Foreign Secretary he agreed to meet the then governor of California – and aspiring presidential contender. One Ronald Reagan.

Outsiders

Top Tories have shown a remarkable reluctance to take part in tonight's Cambridge Union debate. Not one cabinet minister – Tom King, Norman Tebbit, Patrick Jenkin, Sir Keith Joseph, Norman Fowler or John Biffen – would agree to speak. This could be because even by opposing a motion suggesting that the Alliance is the "natural party of government" they would be acknowledging its existence. More likely it is because they were to have been joined in opposing the motion by Labour's Eric Heffer. Heffer likewise seems to have found the prospect of siding with the Tories too awful. He too has now cried off, pleading a constituency engagement. Taking on Shirley Williams and Bill Rodgers will be Tory David Mellor and Austin Mitchell for Labour.

BARRY FANTONI



"Is it really ethical to kill off a bill in its embryo stage?"

Troubles

Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli foreign minister, can expect some sticky moments during his visit to Britain this week. Up to 30 rabbis plan to boycott his address to Jewish leaders at a London hotel tomorrow in protest at his recent Knesset vote to exclude all converts brought to Judaism by Reform or Liberal rabbis. Nor, I imagine, will British ministers be thrilled by his views on Ireland as delivered to a group of Irish newsmen in Jerusalem last month. Shamir reportedly claimed that during his days as leader of the underground Stern gang before Israel was established, he chose the alias Michael – "in the name of the famous Irish freedom fighter Michael Collins, whose exploits captivated me".

Wife and comrade

The Dudley East party of former Labour defence minister John Gilbert who is fighting deselection, has been experiencing a mysterious membership boom that has seen the seven-strong trade union delegation to the general management committee swell to more than 40 in just 12 months. The new delegates include Gilbert's wife Jean, a London-based interior designer; a deputy headmistress representing the General and Municipal union's catering branch; one Margaret Hyde who told the *Dudley News*: "I know I'm a delegate but I don't know from which union"; and sundry others who have been put down for unions of which they have never been members. Dr Gilbert's Office refuses to comment. Party members are demanding an inquiry.

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Give Fowler the benefit

by Sarah Hogg

Norman Fowler deserves at least an E for effort. An overhaul of social security carried out with the aid of four separate committees, but without the full engagement of tax-makers in the Treasury, appeared a recipe for self-contradiction rather than coherence. This was never a "new Beveridge", in ambit or ambition. But the results are surprisingly well directed along a central line of reform.

In the 35 years after the launch of the Beveridge system (comparing 1984 with 1949), the cost of social security rose fivefold in real terms. Out of this expanded total, the proportion devoted to means-tested benefits doubled, to 25 per cent. Despite this growth in complexity, today's system is still not well targeted on the poor. The overlap of benefits and taxation creates disincentives to work or earn more – the famous "unemployment trap" and the "poverty trap" – by withdrawing state support particularly sharply at certain points on the income scale.

The confusion is compounded by ancient divisions of the 30-odd main benefits, some of which grew up out of national insurance, some of which are financed out of ordinary income tax. Some are themselves subject to income tax; others are tax-free. Some are means-tested; some flat-rate; one, perhaps the most important of all, is earnings related.

Since poverty and need are complex and changing conditions, some complexity is inevitable: but over time, any welfare system needs shaking out before the combination of cost and complication swamps taxpayers and recipients alike. But Fowler has done more than spring-clean. First, he has attempted to bring into line three separate structures: supplementary benefits for the old, sick and out-of-work; the supplements to the incomes of working people with families; and the other main means-tested benefit, related to housing costs.

Although his review stops short of complete fusion, this alignment is a great improvement. But the whole report displays a maidenly reticence about money; and the first guesses by the Institute of Fiscal Studies suggest that this simplification would not come cheap.

Even so, there are some immediate pluses to be scored against this section of the report. The new, two-tier system of child support, with flat-rate tax-free benefit topped up with an income-related credit, will direct cash more effectively to poor families. The integration of this credit with tax, so that it is delivered through pay packets, should improve take-up and disperse the old resistance to means-tests by transforming them into the normal business of tax assessment.

The transformation of free school meals into hard cash, paid in the same way, ends the disincentive effects of the sudden withdrawal of large "benefits in kind" at fixed points on the income scale. Shifting the timing of annual benefit upratings to the spring moves towards the necessary integration of tax and welfare payments. Relating income-tested benefits to take-home pay rather than gross earnings is a step in the same direction.

The unemployed will be able to earn more without losing benefit; another welcome improvement in incentives. Fowler is trying to inject incentives of a different kind in the reduction of payments for housing and rates, an issue entangled by the government's struggles with local authorities, so that his proposals may be overtaken by events between now and 1987, his target date for reform. The emphasis on computerized efficiency is the proper foundation for a system designed for the 21st century.

Yet there are two aspects of the system on which Fowler's long sight has failed to focus properly. On pensions, the government cannot, to be fair, be accused of taking a short-term view; it has decided to abolish the state earnings-related pension scheme because of worries about its cost several decades ahead. The political difficulties, however (not least Mrs Thatcher's own commitments), have meant that the terms on which it proposes to phase out Serps are absurdly generous, especially to those in their forties; while the government's fears of increasing employers' costs now make the proposed system of compulsory private pension provision look mean. It would have been more immediately effective to weed out the extravagant features of Serps, and let it tick on.

But the abolition of state earnings-related pensions is at least consistent with Fowler's central aim of redirecting state spending towards the lower income groups. Where his review quite fails to follow through this logic is in its timorous adherence to separate national insurance contributions.

National insurance was conceived of by Beveridge as a properly contributory system, with flat-rate benefits directly related to the payment of flat-rate contributions. But his notion of state-managed social insurance has been completely eroded over the years. The Fowler review breaks a few more of the remaining strands linking what you pay and what you receive, both by phasing out Serps and by transforming certain flat-rate national insurance benefits paid at birth and death into income-tested grants.

Yet the government still clings to separate national insurance as the embodiment of what the Fowler review calls a "social compact" between those who pay for, and those who receive, state benefits. Since half of all social security consists of benefits now financed straight out of income tax, this is an obvious nonsense; few voters could say which benefits were paid for out of which state pocket – or why. The real reason the government is clinging to a separate national insurance is that fusion of contributions with income tax would destroy the illusion of moderate taxation by raising the basic rate. But it is a short-sighted decision, and one which should not have been taken ahead of the government's own green paper on personal taxation, due later in the year. For that matter, the government should never have reviewed social security in isolation from taxation.

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Paul Vallely on a deal satisfying to everyone – except the victims



Famine: Russia and US on collusion course

Last month a secret meeting took place in Addis Ababa which created a bizarre *de facto* alliance between the United States and the Soviet Union. Its effect would have been to allow the Marxist government of Colonel Mengistu Haile Mariam to regain control of the bulk of the rebel province of Tigre which for the past ten years the Dergue has been unable to subdue with the help of the Russians alone.

The meeting was between the Ethiopian government's Relief and Rehabilitation Commission and the two major aid organizations receiving US government money.

It took place against the background of what, at that point, looked like a successful Ethiopian military offensive which had set out to disrupt relief work in the rebel-held areas by agencies working in illegal cross-border operations from Sudan and to implement a scorched earth policy which would prevent preparation of the fields for planting in the weeks before the short rainy season began.

The bombing of transit camps for refugees making the long trek to Sudan, the cutting of the migrant route by the Ethiopian capture of the Hermi Gorge which links the densely populated highlands of the region with the west, and the seizure of the only two cities in rebel hands – Adi Abi and Sheraro – proved a serious setback for the rebels in their attempts to feed and move their people. Eventually it brought movement of all food aid along the major route into Tigre to a standstill.

In the wake of this the Ethiopian RRC met representatives of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and World Vision, through which USaid funnels the bulk of the $210 million it has committed to Ethiopia during the present famine. The agreement which was reached, and subsequently ratified by the US embassy in Addis Ababa, provided for the establishment of six feeding programmes in the heart of the contested areas at Enda Selassie, Maychew and Idegahumus in Tigre and Keren, Areza and Barentu in Eritrea. With the fall of Sheraro the Dergue insisted that it too be added to the list.

The relief agencies were pleased. So was the Dergue, because the deal would provide a programme of pacification in the rebel areas newly under its control. Food could be distributed without the risk that it might fall into the hands of the rebel army. Moreover, the presence of western aid workers in the area would constrain the vigour of any TPLF counter-offensive. Having got the Soviet Union (whose military advisers are understood to have been active in planning this eighth offensive against the rebels) to finance the operation, Colonel Mengistu had now got the US to finance its consolidation with food handouts.

The Russians were satisfied because the scheme would deal a serious blow to the prospects of the avowedly anti-Soviet TPLF whose aim has been extended to the overthrow of the Addis regime and to re-establishing the influence of the province, which was once the heart of the Axumite empire from which Ethiopia grew.

As to the US government, and its European allies, they were content because the new arrangement accommodated the latest shift in tactics in their long-standing policy of trying to woo Ethiopia back into the western sphere of influence.

The casualties of the West's weathervane strategy are the two million Tigrean peasants estimated to be at risk of starvation and who for the past six months have been denied access to the massive amounts of international aid entering the country. The only response for many of them has been to make the long trek to Sudan in a desperate search for food.

Recent disclosure in Washington of a confidential White House report dated May 5 last year shows that the US government recognized then that a "disaster situation" existed in Ethiopia but that aid was deliberately withheld for political reasons. Only five months later did the National Security Council agree that the time was opportune for aid to begin. Satellite pictures showed that tens of thousands were on the move and that the people were more vulnerable because Colonel Mengistu had temporarily halted the entry of aid during the celebrations for the 10th anniversary of the revolution.

The West's approach to the Mengistu government had always involved the stick as well as the carrot. Three days after the anniversary celebrations the US government called together the major American charities in Washington and signalled its intention to begin an illegal cross-border operation from Sudan into Tigre and Eritrea.

Its political purpose – to provide aid to the rebel armies inside Ethiopia and create another lever on Colonel Mengistu – was clear but two charities, Lutheran World Relief and Mercy Corps, were happy to take the US government money on offer and begin the operation.

From a humanitarian point of view too the move was sound: agency estimates from Addis Ababa indicated that only 22 per cent of the famine victims were being reached by Ethiopian government distribution systems and anywhere between 40 per cent and 80 per cent of all those at risk lived in guerrilla controlled areas. A plan was approved which led to the spending of $3.25 million on the internal purchase of grain by US aid workers within Ethiopia, buying from areas with a food surplus and redistributing it within the devastated areas of Tigre.

But it was essentially a pilot project which met only about 4 per cent of the total needs of the Ethiopian highlanders. They began to pour in their hundreds of thousands into Sudan, a potentially destablizing influence in the country which was America's staunchest ally in the region. When Vice-President George Bush visited Sudan in March one of the major topics of conversation with the Nimeiry regime and local USaid officials was stepping up the cross-border programme.

Three separate plans were discussed. The first was to beef up the existing voluntary agencies with 800,000 tons of grain and 500 lorries. The second, which was budgeted at hundreds of millions of dollars, was a programme of "deep penetration" which involved building a highway from Sudan to the heart of Tigre: this was tantamount to a challenge to the Dergue to bomb it; "the Sudanese were even more gung-ho on this one than we were," according to one senior US official. The third involved a more modest provision of 240 new lorries for the existing cross-border arrangements; USaid even asked one large charity, Care, if it would be prepared to pull out of Ethiopia to mastermind the scheme, but the agency declined.

The Mengistu regime responded by calling in the British ambassador and the Australian chargé d'affaires and telling them that if the operation went ahead Ethiopia would break off diplomatic relations with the US and, by implication, expel all its aid workers.

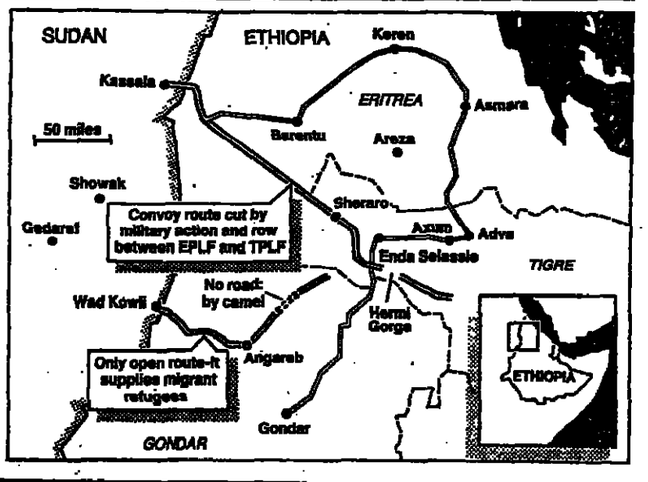
At the subsequent Geneva international conference on the problems of Africa, after the usual exchange of rhetoric between George Bush and the Ethiopian foreign minister, the two countries got together behind the scenes and agreed on the broad outlines of the pacification programme which was later secretly signed in Addis Ababa.

Already CRS has begun food distribution in the new centres at Areza and Maychew but the prospects for the new scheme are already in some doubt after TPLF claims that it has beaten the Ethiopian army back to its old garrison towns, forcing it to abandon almost all the territory it had gained in western Tigre.

The US response has been to give approval to CRS and World Vision to set up operations in Sudan with a view to reviving the threat of a cross-border operation in September, after the rainy season, if Colonel Mengistu does not seem to be moving in the right direction.

Many observers in Sudan now doubt that there was ever any real American intention to send food in large quantities across the border. In the end, for Washington, a Yugoslav-style socialism in Ethiopia would be far preferable to the unknown quantity of a new regime heavily dominated by strong victorious rebel groups.

AID AND REBELLION



ETHIOPIA

POPULATION around 42 million

FAMINE VICTIMS around 8 million

OFFICIAL AGENCY RRC (Relief and Rehabilitation Commission), a department of Ethiopian government

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES CRS (Catholic Relief Services), US; World Vision, US; Care, US; Save The Children, UK; Oxfam, UK; Concern, Eire

AID (latest known figures) Soviet Union $2 billion, exclusively military aid; United States $210 million, emergency food aid; World Bank $150 million p.a. ($400 million by 1989) EEC $320 million (over five years)

REBEL-HELD AREAS

Tigre, Eritrea and parts of Wollo
Population around 9 million

Famine Victims estimated between 3.5 and 5 million

REBEL FORCES TPLF (Tigre Peoples' Liberation Front); EPLF (Eritrean Peoples' Liberation Front)

EPDM (Ethiopian Peoples' Democratic Movement)

OFFICIAL AGENCIES
REST (Relief Society of Tigre) linked to TPLF
ERA (Eritrean Relief Association) linked to EPLF
ERO (Ethiopian Relief Organization) linked to EPDM

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES
Mercy Corps, US; Lutheran World Relief, US; Oxfam, UK; Cafod (British Catholic Churches), UK; War On Want, UK; Norwegian Church AID

AID
United States $6 million (total to date)
EEC $1.6 million

Digby Anderson

Hoping things get even worse

Let me send a shiver up your spine. Well, I don't honestly expect or intend that many, a few or even one reader will actually shiver metaphorically, let alone physically. I say "Let me send a shiver up your spine" in the same way as those intense people lean back in their chairs, looking grim, then suddenly lurch forward, staring, and say "I really am extremely worried about the dollar" or "the Peacock Inquiry".

It's ten to one they've been sleeping like babes. But it does enable *you*, should you wish, to continue the round and say "I read something today in *The Times* which sent a shiver up my spine" when it didn't. We must keep up appearances. More to the point, this sort of introduction is mandatory when one is introducing a "scenario". It's not a very ambitious scenario, as scenarios go, no detailed prophecies; merely a juxtaposition of two current trends to make a "chilling point", but all columnists have to have a scenario sooner or later. Here we go.

The first trend is that representatives of very different political views increasingly agree that all is far from well in state education, social security, government housing intervention, social services and the NHS. Many socialists – those free to speak without obligation to the public sector trade unions which have a vested interest in perpetuating these services unchanged – no longer defend the welfare state, that is *this* welfare state. They want another one, a better one, perhaps a bigger one, but the old attitude that this one will run for ever with the public expenditure equivalent of thicker sump oil is dying if not dead. Reform, on occasions suitably disguised, is now on everyone's agenda.

Trend No 2 is that the Thatcher government's attempts at reform have foundered on a series of obstacles: the politicians have not tried very hard, being more interested in winning national and local elections than deep and (temporarily) unpopular reforms. Besides, reform involves statutory work – not just telling local authorities to spend less – and statutory work requires parliamentary time and detailed drafting. One reason given by Sir Keith Joseph for not pursuing the contribution that vouchers would make to greater parental choice of schools and higher educational standards was that it would mean altering the 1944 Education Act. Of course it would, and about time too after 41 years.

Civil servants are not sympathetic to change, in a Thatcherite, Bennite, or any radical direction. One recommendation on which politically diverse social policy analysts agree is that reform of social security should go hand in hand with reform of personal taxation so that one lot of civil servants is not employed duplicating the calculations of another then returning to taxpayers the money just extracted from them, often in similar amounts. That radical suggestion was ruled out by Norman Fowler and his civil servants from the outset of his inquiry. Tax is not involved in it.

Each attempt to change an individual part of the welfare system arouses the fury of a vested interest, be it consumers benefiting from a "service", such as articulate middle-class parents eager to preserve student grants, or service producers also defending expensive privileges. The last year has seen dons, teachers and social security employees all taking on the taxpayer. The reforms are significant threats to the vested interests concerned but their benefits are spread wide and thin and produce no comparable lobby of support. Who would take to the streets in enthusiasm for a piffling tax cut? Local and national politicians are well aware of the electoral liability of reform and are, regardless of party, paternalistically inclined.

And when reforms are attempted, reform is not often their effect. It would be a rash person indeed who said that universities or social service departments are now more rationally or efficiently staffed as a result of attempted economies. Most have bodged to minimize friction and inconvenience to existing, especially senior and expensive staff.

In short, reform, though agreed by everybody to be in everybody's interest, is in no *one's* interest. Worse, the character of the obstacles to it suggests they are likely to frustrate the reforms of *any* government, regardless of political colour, so long as it is what governments usually are: disunited, half-hearted and preoccupied with the next election.

And so the shiver: at the very moment we agree that the welfare state must be reformed, it appears unreformable, literally out of control. Its vices capture by producer interests, unaccountability, vulnerability to the more articulate lobbying of the middle class, inability to meet rising expectation in health and education because of dependency on the limits of tax-derived funds, bureaucracy and rationing by diktat – will continue, perhaps become more pronounced. We are faced not with a rationally responsive organization but Byzantium.

However there is a chink of light at the end of the tunnel, or wherever scenarios end, a light as metaphorical and rhetorical as the shiver with which we did, or did not, start. There may come a point when a significant number of the better-off customers determine to escape from the deteriorating welfare state into the private sector. Some governments will try to stop them, but private education especially is difficult to police and technology will make it more so. A sensible government would help them, and the less well-off, to exit now with allowances for private education and health. If state services get worse, exit they will. In the end reform will come though customers' discontent rather than government engineering.

A further deterioration of public services is our best hope. So when you hear of year-long waiting lists for hospitals, peace studies in schools, local government subsidies to sexual perverts, free abortions on the taxpayer. . . . Cheer up. As I said, it's only a scenario.

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moreover . . . Miles Kington

Runcible spoons on the way

Before I release the results of our Edward Lear look-alike contest, may I thank all those hundreds of *Times* readers who, by responding so readily with limericks, have given me premature eyestrain. I think it proves what the crossword and letters page already suggest, that the main obsession which ties *Times* readers together is a love of words. No misuse of a word in *The Times* ever goes unpunished by readers, who are angered by brutality towards the English language as others are by ill treatment of dogs, babies and minorities.

By the same token, no invitation to submit clever entries goes ignored, and I shall not make the same interesting mistake again. So, if this column in the future ever seems to contain an invitation to compose small literary gems, it is merely an illusion. Ignore it. And now the winners, in no particular order.

David Hockney exclaimed as he lay
By his pool in the heat of the day
"Here I am on the brink
With Elizabeth Frink
When I'd far rather Roger de Grey".
(Basil Garland)

There was a young artist of Dunstable
Who once forged a painting by Constable.
His fraud was detected
Before he expected
As the paints he was using were unstable.
(Alastair MacLaren)

A museum in bankrupt condition
Felt no need for, nor sense of contrition;
Its committee in meeting
Co-opted Tom Keating
And commissioned five Stubbs and a Titian.
(Roy Boulting and Mary Harvey)

Although in the fire may the fat be
I seldom admire Mr Bratby.
Something leaps from the frame;
I reel back and exclaim,
"Gordon Bennett! Whoever can that be?"
(Mr/Mrs Charlton)

I can call it no more than a hunch,
But I'll hazard a guess: Edvard Munch,
Though really quite able
Was more than unstable
A lulu; you know "out to lunch".
(Julian Johnston)

What sort of *man* was Man Ray?
I know Dada is very risqué
But sticking ripe peaches
In sky-painted niches
Isn't butch. It's quiche-eating fey.
(John Nielsen)

There was a young lady of Yiewsley,
Who inspected the paintings of Fuseli,
The subsequent night
Was all nausea and fright, And she
woke up refusing her muesli.
(Basil Cottle)

Young Millais said, "How I hope
That with fame I'll be able to cope."
But the start of his troubles
Was his painting of "Bubbles"
And now he's remembered for soap.
(Joan Rough)

"Por Dios!" cried Francisco de Goya,
"What I need most of all is a lawyer!
My maja desnuda
Is considerably ruder
And her husband said 'Goya, I saw yer!'"
(Derek Cummings)

Said a critic called Ruskin, "By gum
Whistler's art is exceedingly rum.
He's thrown paint in the face
Of the whole human race
– Now he's gone off and painted his Mum."
(Anon)

A fine Quattrocento predella
Was sold as a picture by Kneller;
An institute bought it
But I would have thought it
Was painted by some other fellow.
(David Eden)

The distinguished R.A., William Etty,
Sold flesh by the yard like spaghetti.
He said "Don't think me rude,
But I'm strictly pro-nude
And anti-G-bloody-Rossetti!"
(Charles Sinker)

To further his art, the young Giotto
Once painted some nuns in a grotto.
When they said: "You're a saint!"
He replied: "No, I ain't.
I do my best work when I'm blotto."
(Derek Cummings)

Great Augustus John A.R.A.
Painted quite well in his way
So why is it, then,
That his poor sister Gwen
Is thought to be better today?
(Mary & Philip Mottram)

Prizes of honey, five pound notes, runcible spoons, etc, to all concerned, even to Anon if he contacts me from Upper Eastern Green Lane, Coventry.

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TARGETING WELFARE

For too long the welfare state has operated under a false premise, that it is an efficient system for redistributing wealth from rich to poor in the community. The poor have been paying for it and those who really need it have not received what they should. Moreover, the poor and the average have paid for the rich to receive all kinds of welfare, which should not be their due. The average wage earner has supported the welfare state by paying direct and indirect taxes to finance state pensions, subsidizing housing for one in three households and unemployment payments which discourage people from working. The case for such a system, politically, has for too long been taken for granted by the political establishment. Politicians have a natural reluctance to dispel illusions particularly if to do so carries a short-term cost and attracts criticism. They are also aware of the ease with which a system of state provision for all, from cradle to the grave, can become self-perpetuating, and even an ominous force, extending the policy and giving each citizen the impression that she or he has no need and no power to take any major individual decisions.

Mr Fowler's welfare review, published yesterday, comes late in the day after six years of Conservative Government pledged to roll back the frontiers of the state. But at least we now know that the Government is still so pledged. The core principle of all that Mr Fowler publishes springs from that need and is, as it happens, supported by the commissioned public opinion survey which shows that the majority of people agree with this critique of the welfare state: it is spread too wide, targeted badly, incoherent to the recipient and administrator and in need of change.

As Hayek once observed: "The most important change which extensive government control produces is a psychological change, an alteration in the character of the people. This is necessarily a slow affair, a process which extends not over a few years but perhaps over one or two generations. The important point is that the political ideals of the people and its attitude towards authority are as much the effect as the cause of the political institutions under which it lives".

The last war created a political atmosphere in which it became the view that the state would provide, though Beveridge, that much misrepresented man, emphatically espoused the principle that state provision should remain only basic and should be based firmly on the individual's contribution to it rather than on any theory of the automatic handout. Progressively the state expanded to a point where the idea of the nanny state became only too readily acceptable to the political establishment, though less it appears now to general opinion in the western democracies. It is not a long walk from the nursery to the prison, and the examples presented by planned economies in the east emphatically do not substantiate the socialist claim to greater efficiency in extending welfare.

So one detail of the Fowler review which deserves immediate welcome is that adjustment to housing benefit which will involve every potential ratepayer in any rise in the rates. It will not be much at the bottom end, rightly so, but at least enough to remind the householder that he or she is not totally insulated from the real world which can no longer now provide everything free, including responsibility.

The Government will naturally be criticized widely for the details as well as for the principle that in abolishing the State Earnings Pension Scheme it is going back on the 1970s consensus which created it. Such a criticism elevates the fact of consensus above the merits or demerits of perpetuating into the next century a system of pensions which everybody knows will place intolerable demands on future generations and could not be supported by the British economy. Thinking long, and making the necessary administrative adjustments to alleviate the effect of long-term decisions is surely what we expect of ministers, rather than for them to indulge in the short-term pursuit of votes. Moreover nobody this century will be affected by today's change.

Under the employment related benefits it will pay to take a job. Two different systems – income tax and benefit – will continue to operate rather than a unitary one, but the benefit system will be much clarified and targeted so that the productive wage-earner begins to stop receiving benefit from welfare with a smoother progression and without the sudden lurches backwards to the point where welfare earns more than a wage. That may be hard to put across politically because all three party groupings are competing for votes in the skilled and semi-skilled areas of income. But it is one more area in which we, the ordinary citizens, expect to see our political leaders representing the general good rather than bowing to sectional interest for party advantage.

THE GREEKS' CLEAR CHOICE

Not many champagne corks will have popped in the chanceries of western Europe and North America at the news of Mr Andreas Papandreou's election victory. In his three and a half years as Greek prime minister, Mr Papandreou has hardly made himself the favourite colleague of other Western leaders. Indeed he has made it clear on many occasions that he himself is not by choice a Western leader at all. He would be more comfortable as leader of a non-aligned Greece, giving priority to ties with neighbouring Balkan and Arab countries. Before he came to power his party programme committed him to take Greece out of both Nato and the European Community, and it is circumstances rather than any strong emotional ties that have held him back from honouring that commitment.

That has not made him an easy ally or partner, and it is reasonable to suppose that many Western governments were secretly hoping for the victory of his conservative rival, Mr Constantine Mitsotakis, while well aware that any public hint of such a preference would be likely to do him more harm than good. Too many Greeks hold the West responsible for sustaining a military dictatorship in power in Greece from 1967 to 1974, and for consolidating the Turkish occupation of northern Cyprus since then, for there to be any advantage to a Greek politician in being seen as the favourite of the West. Had Mr Mitsotakis won it would have been the consequence of some of Mr Papandreou's domestic policies, not of any problems he has caused in Nato or in the EEC.

Yet even if not the best result from the Western point of view, Mr Papandreou's outright victory is not the worst either. There will be widespread relief that the Greek voters have not, as many predicted, elected a hung parliament in which Mr Papandreou could have maintained himself in power only with the support of the pro-Moscow Communists. Like M Mitterrand in France four years ago, Mr Papandreou moved just close enough to the Communists to win over a crucial slice of their support in the country. That is much better than relying on the votes of their representatives in parliament.

The extraordinary gamble which Mr Papandreou took last March in withdrawing, at the last minute, his support for the re-election of President Karamanlis and staging a crisis over both the choice and the powers of the president of the republic, has, in the event, paid off handsomely, winning over more voters on the left than it antagonized in the centre. There was, undoubtedly, an element of duplicity about this manoeuvre, as there was an element of intimidation and high-handedness about the way the secrecy of the ballot was violated in order to ensure the election of M Papandreou's chosen presidential candidate.

It was easy for his opponents, in the highly charged atmosphere of that vote, to claim – and no doubt to believe – that Greek democracy was again in danger. Happily such fears have not been justified by the actual conduct of the election. It has been an affair of mass rallies and bitter mutual insults rather than genuine argument, but violence has been mercifully absent.

It is true that the government retained and to some extent misused its control of radio and television news, notably by suppressing any mention of Mr Karamanlis's eve-of-poll statement. Yet in this it only emulated the behaviour of its conservative predecessor (regrettable as that may be), and it is not plausible to say, as Mr Mitsotakis has done, that the electorate was brainwashed into voting against its better judgement.

Mr Mitsotakis may to some extent have been the victim of his own success – especially that of his final rally in Athens, the size of which may have persuaded some potential Communist voters to switch to Mr Papandreou for fear of allowing the right to win. He also scored an own goal by trying to keep the issue of the presidency alive, when he pledged himself to force the resignation of the President if his party won – thereby offering the Greeks, who aspire to a quiet life, the prospect of a new constitutional crisis. M Raymond Barre, who wants the French opposition to take the same line with respect to President Mitterrand in next year's election, is advised to take note.

Meanwhile the world must settle down to another four years of Mr Papandreou as leader of Greece, this time uninhibited by any fear of presidential interference since the new parliament will presumably ratify the constitutional amendments passed by the last one. No doubt he will continue to keep us awake, but he no longer threatens to take Greece out of either EEC or Nato. The former helped him win the election by raising the living standards of Greek farmers, and the latter remains Greece's essential insurance against any serious conflict with Turkey, although – in a sense because – Turkey is designated as an ally rather than an enemy. The Reagan administration, which wants to give more help to Turkey, will probably find it easier to convince Congress if Mr Papandreou continues to gratify his supporters with anti-American rhetoric. But perhaps, now he has been re-elected, he will no longer find it necessary to do that.

THE NEARLY MAN

Lord George-Brown spent all his effective political life in the Labour Party, and at one moment seemed within inches of becoming its leader. After he had resigned from the Labour Cabinet in 1968 (as a result of a quarrel with the then Mr Harold Wilson) and had lost his House of Commons seat in the 1970 election, he became a peer, left the Labour Party over Mr Michael Foot's closed shop legislation and joined the Social Democrats as a founder member. There was logic in that. George Brown had been Hugh Gaitskell's supporter and deputy, and if they had had their way, a social democratic party, comparable to the German SPD, was what the Labour Party itself would have become. Labour is in a very different posture today, and already was when George Brown left it.

After Gaitskell's sudden death in 1963, Brown was a candidate for the Labour leadership and seemed to be Gaitskell's natural heir. But he was defeated by Harold Wilson, who until then had been consistently associated with his party's left wing. It is tempting now to wonder whether, had Brown beaten Wilson, Labour might have taken a different course over the years since then. Had Brown instead of Wilson led it to victory in 1964, might Labour have resisted the steady drift to the left? Or, to pose a very different question, is it possible that the Labour Party might have been defeated in 1964, instead of beating Sir Alec Douglas-Home by four seats?

The probability is that neither outcome would have been different. There are some great historical events which have plainly hung on the accident of a particular person's position at a particular time, but this does not appear to be among them. The very fact that Labour, with its then moderate parliamentary majority, chose not to elect George Brown was a sign not of a victory for the left but rather of misgivings among the moderates about whether George Brown, for all his great talents, would have served this purpose. His defeat for the leadership was the moderates' judgement of the problems his mercurial and impulsive temperament might create for their cause.

The more substantial question is whether, if George Brown had won, he would have kept Labour on more moderate courses, avoiding the policy fudging with which Harold Wilson so skilfully kept his party together. Given the inbuilt tensions of the party, and the failure of the "planned growth" and income policies with which both were equally associated that is unlikely. The truth is that Labour can only be managed by Wilsonian techniques, and that is the party's abiding problem.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Britain bound by European Court

From Mr F. J. Silvester, MP for Manchester, Withington (Conservative)

Sir, The case of Mrs Balkandali and others at the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg (report, May 29) brings the Convention and its effects once more into public comment.

This decision will please some sections of political opinion, just as others are pleased when they can use the court to advance the case against the closed shop or for fairer compensation following nationalisation. Public discussion is thus limited to the circumstances of the particular case. We fail to consider the most important issue: whether the court should have jurisdiction at all.

Earlier this year Parliament passed an Act relating to corporal punishment in schools. Everyone knows in their hearts that the Act is a nonsense and the Secretary of State was only able to introduce it tongue in cheek. He did so because a Norwegian judge, a Maltese judge, the Attorney General of Luxembourg, a Parisian barrister and professors of law from Iceland and Toronto told him to. Parliament was informed that it had no alternative but to acquiesce.

Now it is possible that the British people want this system, but as they have never been asked we cannot know. This whole apparatus is founded upon executive power without any democratic process. The Convention on which it is based was dealt with as a treaty and therefore required no statute and no parliamentary consultation.

The extension of the Convention to permit individual petitions from the UK was also an executive act and simply announced to Parliament in a written answer. The judges are appointed to the court on the nomination of the Government without any parliamentary involvement. The members of the Consultative Assembly itself are appointed by the Whips of the various parties and announced in another written answer.

There is now no doubting the magnitude of this constitutional change. The Government is bound by the treaty to make changes in laws ruled by the court to be contrary to the Convention. If Parliament remains sovereign then it can decide whether to change the law or not. But if it says no, then how is the Government placed?

In these circumstances the fact that we retain the form of parliamentary law-making is a charade: the substance has transferred to Strasbourg.

So far, the Government has refused to let Parliament in on the discussion, preferring to keep it within the cosy circles of Whitehall. This could well be the last opportunity when a proper discussion can occur and a free and democratic decision be taken.

Yours faithfully,
FRED SILVESTER,
House of Commons.
May 31.

Tamil refugees

From Mr Alper Riza

Sir, It is perhaps surprising that on the day the United Kingdom has been found in breach of its obligations under the European Convention on Human Rights, it is about to breach another international convention. I am referring to the convention and protocol relating to the status of refugees and the effect it might have on the way the Home Secretary proposes to treat Tamil asylum seekers.

The refugee Convention, unlike the European Convention, is part of United Kingdom domestic law in that it has been expressly incorporated in the immigration rules currently in force. That should mean that every Tamil refused asylum on the merits of his case should be given a proper right of appeal or review against refusal (article 32).

Even if, through some technical argument, this article is held not to apply, some kind of right of appeal is regarded as a basic requirement by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (the UNHCR) with whom the United Kingdom is under a duty to cooperate under article 35(1). Thus the problem which your leader article (May 29) was rightly concerned about ought not to arise although the Home Office has to date not acknowledged that there is such a right of appeal.

Moreover, if on refusing asylum to any Sri Lankan refugee it is proposed to send the refugee back to Sri Lanka, this could amount to "refoulement", which is expressly prohibited by article 33. The difficulty here is whether or not a person is in fact a refugee in the sense that he has a well-founded fear of persecution on grounds of racial origin, political opinion etc.

In this respect the Home Secretary does, it seems, need to be reminded that the mere fact that his officials decide that a particular applicant is not a refugee does not mean that he is not one for the purposes of complying with the United Kingdom's obligations under the Convention.

Yours etc,
ALPER RIZA,
8 Stone Buildings,
Lincoln's Inn, WC2.
May 29.

Directory inquiry

From Mr John B. Harris

Sir, When can we hope that competition, about which we heard so much, will force British Telecom to provide directories in kiosks, in post offices and places where they were once so useful?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN B. HARRIS
31 Princedale Road, W11.
May 28.

Experimentation on test-tube embryos

From Dr B. J. Boughton

Sir, Lady Warnock's article (May 30) does little to allay my misgivings concerning the report of her Committee of Enquiry into Human Fertilization and Embryology. In accusing the House of Commons of moral fantasy over its support for Enoch Powell's Unborn Children (Protection) Bill she appears more than ever an advocate for vested scientific interest and her arguments grow less persuasive.

She argues that since the embryo in the womb has no human rights, it is logical to permit limited experimentation on test-tube embryos. She cites potential improvements in our understanding of infertility and genetic diseases, yet never has it been shown convincingly that answers to these questions require human rather than animal embryos.

One wonders how she would respond in five years' time to the scientist who wishes to experiment on older, more developed human embryos. These, too, have no legal rights, and the results of such experiments would be of interest to science and could arguably bring benefit to others. In this light, her charge of moral simplicity against Mr Powell's supporters is unjust.

Lady Warnock has herself permitted a superficial complication of the moral argument, and the support her committee has given to scientific lobbies is itself simplistic and shortsighted.

Yours faithfully,
B. J. BOUGHTON,
63 Fitzroy Avenue,
Harborne, Birmingham.
May 31.

From Mr Brian Rix and others

Sir, We, the undersigned members of the editorial board of the *Journal of Mental Deficiency Research* and the MENCAP Medical Advisory Panel, fully support Lady Warnock's condemnation of Enoch Powell's Unborn Children (Protection) Bill (feature, May 30) and agree that it would be "absolutely wrong" for it to become law.

Genetic diseases account for a substantial number of all human diseases. Chromosomal abnormalities are found in five to six births per 1,000. Genetic disease and congenital malformations occur in approximately 2 to 5 per cent of all live births and are the cause of 40 to 50 per cent of deaths in childhood.

Mental handicap is the most common disability in Britain, affecting perhaps as many as half a million people. There is no cure for mental handicap; it is a lifelong disability. Faced with an incurable condition, primary prevention is the ideal goal.

We know, personally and professionally, not only the tragedy of children dying of incurable diseases, but the tragedy of lives limited by handicap. Modern medicine is on the brink of preventing conditions that lead to damaged lives or certain death, but this knowledge will be futile unless further research to develop healthy embryos is undertaken.

This Bill is a giant leap backwards and, if passed, will deny future generations their most fundamental right – a healthy and whole life. The simplistic moral absolution of some must not be allowed to override the wellbeing of all.

Yours faithfully,

BRIAN RIX (Chairman, MENCAP Medical Advisory Panel),
WILLIAM FRASER (Editor, *Journal of Mental Deficiency Research*),
MICHAEL BARAITSER, BRIAN KIRMAN,
ALEXANDER SHAPIRO, JAN STERN,
OLIVER PRATT, R. C. MacGILLIVRAY,
DAVID A. PRIMROSE, KENNETH S. HOLT,
DAVID MORRIS, BRIAN STRATFORD,
FRANK DENNY, ELISABETH NORMAN,
Mencap National Centre,
123 Golden Lane, EC1.
May 30.

From Mrs Anne Scott

Sir, Lady Warnock, in her able and sincere defence of experiments with human embryos, suggests that the deep and sincere "revulsion and repugnance" which many people feel at the notion of such experiments is due to the "rhetoric" employed by their opponents.

Incidentally, she herself employs such rhetoric when she speaks of having "to defend the rule of law in the jungle of moral simplicity": it would be equally possible to suggest cutting through the jungle of law with the billhook of simple morality.

The deliberate setting in motion of the process which leads to the appearance of a child, with the sole intention of interrupting that process and destroying its product – that, put in the most unrhetorical and stodgiest terms at my command, is what is felt so deeply to be evil.

The principle that it is wrong to do evil in the hope that good will come of it is indeed a moral absolute, but who has not experienced the fact that good ends are not attainable by evil means, because the ends themselves have been twisted and perverted by the time that they are reached?

Lady Warnock regards moral fundamentalism as a "genuine threat": the abdication of moral responsibility is a far graver threat, as the reports of such varied examples of it as drug abuse, the unbridled pursuit of sectional interests and mob violence remind us from the headlines every day.

Yours faithfully,
ANNE SCOTT,
24 Southmoor Road, Oxford.

From Mr R. M. L. Winston

Sir, Mrs Peacock, MP (June 3) presumes that Enoch Powell's Bill represents the will of the people of this country. She quotes parliamentary petitions as evidence for support of the Unborn Children (Protection) Bill; more discerning members of Parliament are aware of massive orchestrations behind these signatures. The truth is that many people signed petitions believing that research of a very different nature is being done.

Numerous patients of mine from across the United Kingdom signed letters and petitions after being told at meetings, often in church, of Nazi experiments conducted on unborn babies. Without exception, these couples have been shocked and depressed to discover subsequently, that these "experiments" referred to research to improve their own *in-vitro* fertilization therapy.

Mrs Peacock is offended that Mr Powell's supporters are called intolerant and fanatical. They have themselves to blame for using blatantly similar fanatical language during the Bill's second reading.

Mrs Peacock wants infertile women to have test-tube babies. A pity that, unlike the Archbishop of York (June 3), she and most of Mr Powell's supporters have not done any real research – nor did they visit the major NHS units hit by this Bill. If they had, they could realise that there are numerous major loopholes in this Bill allowing embryo research to continue completely unchecked. The real effects will be on thousands of diseased patients whose proper treatment will be curtailed or impossible.

Of course we need legislation to regulate *in-vitro* fertilization. This badly-drafted, hasty and ignorant Bill will merely prevent Government from seeking proper solutions to the complex problems which Warnock addressed.

Yours sincerely,
R. M. L. WINSTON,
Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
Hammersmith Hospital,
Du Cane Road, W12.

Sites and records

From the President of the Council for British Archaeology

Sir, Your leading article (May 23), "After abolition", looked forward to the end of the metropolitan counties. Juxtaposed with your leader was a letter from Professor Paul Harvey expressing concern over the future of archival records in those same counties. If the Government does not act immediately archaeological provision within metropolitan counties faces the same catastrophe.

Within the existing metropolitan counties there is an archaeological service. These services differ in size and structure, but at present there exist countywide sites and monuments records which provide the mechanisms for relating development proposals to known archaeological sites and historic buildings.

The metropolitan counties also make provision for the excavation of archaeological sites and the recording of historic buildings in advance of their destruction. Conservation teams have been established to care for some of the nation's finest urban conservation areas.

The legislation before Parliament makes no specific reference to the provision for the continuation of services of this kind. It would be disastrous if the six metropolitan areas, with their rich heritage dating from prehistoric times to the Industrial Revolution, were to be left without any effective services for the recording, exploration, protection, and interpretation of that heritage and if the efficient and dedicated teams built up over the past decade were to be dispersed.

It is simply not economic for the range of functions indicated above to be established at district level. Experience in the country at large shows that the county is the minimal viable area for such services.

Yours faithfully,
T. G. HASSALL,
Council for British Archaeology,
112 Kennington Road, SE11.

Medical charges

From Dr A. W. Robinson

Sir, Mr Coulson (May 27) may be interested to hear about other labour costs. Recently I had a broken car window replaced at the appropriate main dealer garage. The car company approved and agreed labour charge was over £60, including VAT. The job took two men under half an hour.

I regret that there is not the alternative of a National Car Service.

Yours faithfully,
A. W. ROBINSON,
30 Brueton Avenue,
Solihull, West Midlands.

Future of universities

From Professor W. R. Niblett

Sir, The universities' case against the Government's centralized enforcement of vocational education in pursuit of short-term industrial objectives is going by default. It is no longer enough to state, as Messrs Carrington and Hayward have done in their otherwise admirable letter (May 2), that "in a civilized and democratic society university autonomy must be safeguarded and universities conceived as having a wider role than that of handmaiden of industry and instrument of state".

The case has to be re-argued, in depth, strongly, and soon, and argued in a way that does not suggest that our institutions of higher education are blameless, indifferent to change, or should be exempt from accountability in their use of public money.

May we look to the leaders of our academic community for an early defence of their ideals and account of their stewardship? What do universities really stand for?

If they do not swiftly make these things clear the danger mounts that both universities and polytechnics will find themselves ruled in every detail by Whitehall, at the dictates of the Government of the day, scant regard being paid to the bigger issues. That would hardly seem the best way of managing the nation's intellectual resources.

Yours faithfully,
ROY NIBLETT,
7 Blenheim Road, Bristol, Avon.
May 30.

Dressing down

From Mr Clive Lord

Sir, Sir Donald Tebbit's experience as a juror, as related in his letter (May 25), exactly mirrored my own when on jury service for five weeks at a crown court last year. Jurors most favoured by defending counsel seemed to be young, casually dressed and of "working class" appearance.

My solution to this was simple: on days when I actively wanted to be selected, I dressed in my shabbiest clothes (never with a tie), adopted a surly expression and was always selected if I managed to reach the "lucky" 15.

If, for any reason, I wished to be excused for the remainder of the day after the daily selections had taken place, I donned my pinstripe suit and school, university or regimental tie, and gazed haughtily at defending counsel: I was invariably challenged.

The result, of course, was potentially unjust for the defendant but convenient for the juror!

Yours faithfully,
CLIVE LORD,
24 Strutton Ground, SW1.
May 30.

Down to earth

From Mr C. R. Drury

Sir, Linguistic hiccups were heard on the intercom when I flew with my wife last year to Sri Lanka. The captain informed us: "On our left side, you can't miss Windsor Castle".

Fortunately we did.

Yours faithfully,
COLIN DRURY,
45 Kersley Street, SW11.

THE TIMES ON THIS DAY

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It was fortuitous that The Times *received a first hand account so speedily of the disaster in Peru. The paper's correspondent, John Young, was on an assignment for a Special Report in Lima from where he rushed 250 miles to the devastated area.*

Peru's tragic victims cut off from help

From JOHN YOUNG
Chimbote, Northern Peru, June 3

Less than 72 hours ago this was by Peruvian standards a thriving industrial town of 200,000 people with its own steel mill and a large fleet of fishing boats. Now it lies in ruins with hundreds of its people dead and dying, thousands of others injured and all but a handful of survivors homeless.

Yesterday I was the first foreign reporter to arrive in this area, devastated by Sunday's earthquake. With me were representatives of Oxfam, Caritas, the Catholic relief service, and the Church World Service. Everywhere doctors, nurses and missionaries have implored us to see that aid gets through quickly, especially drugs to prevent an outbreak of typhus and other epidemics as there is no drinking water.

But Chimbote, appalling sight though it is, has come off relatively lightly. Several large concrete buildings are more or less intact, some have electricity, and the hotel where we spent last night is still providing rudimentary service to visitors. The most important fact is that the road south to Lima, although badly damaged, is open to traffic and there is no reason why supplies should not reach the town quickly.

It is on towns and villages to the east of here, hidden in steep Andean valleys and overshadowed by towering cliffs, that the earthquake has wreaked its most terrible havoc. Whole communities have been obliterated, among them the towns of Caras and Yungay which were inundated by a torrent of water streaming down from a mountain lake.

Thousands of people elsewhere were crushed to death by massive avalanches rolling down from the great heights of these spectacular mountains. Compounding the tragedy is the fact that landslips have blocked the narrow winding roads up the valleys and the only way to get aid in to the stricken survivors is by helicopter or light aircraft – which is quite inadequate for the purpose. Moreover, until the roads are open, which is almost certain to take several more days, there is no way of ascertaining the true extent of the loss of life.

The Government, in declaring last night eight days of mourning, estimated te possible death toll at a staggering 30,000. This could be putting the figure too high but, on the other hand, if help does not reach the mountain areas soon it may prove to be on the low side.

Driving north from Lima through the desolate sandhills which plunge every 20 or 30 miles into green valleys, one sees relatively little damage for the first two or three hours. The road is cracked badly in places and here and there the wall of a house has collapsed. But families sitting out in front of houses seem almost as though they might be enjoying an alfresco lunch.

Then at Casma, fifty miles south of Chimbote, the true horror becomes suddenly and dramatically visible. This was a pleasant little town of about 2,000 inhabitants with a central square surrounded by trees and cafés. Now it is totally flattened.

Hardly a house is left standing. The main street is inches deep in dust from adobe walls which just crumbled like children's sand castles. Piles of possessions, beds, wardrobes, tables, kitchenware, deckchairs and mattresses lie stacked in open spaces, while the owners stumble over ruins looking for more.

A projector hangs from the wreckage of the cinema, where a notice is still visible advertising *The Battle of Britain*.

A notice attached to a tree proclaims "Funeral Agency" with awful appropriateness. Dogs bark in sunshine and small children play happily amid the rubble. But the overall impression is of uncomprehending silence, like a family suddenly and senselessly bereaved. . . .

At the other side of town a bearded Dominican missionary, Father Henry Camacho, stands in his garden. To one side is a two-storey, perhaps three-storey building, hideously crushed like a giant sandwich. "Two of my nuns died in there", he says. "They had been told to stand in the archway if there was an earthquake and that's just what they did. As you can see it didn't help them much." . . .

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 3: The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, left Blackpool Airport this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Canada.

Mr Brian McGrath was in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips visited Suffolk today.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Suffolk (Sir Joshua Rowley, Bt).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this morning opened the new extension to provide Maritime Education at Lowestoft College of Further Education (Principal, Mr J. Porter), where Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the College Governors (Mr J. Veitch).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips then visited Stowmarket Family Centre (Officer in Charge, Mr R. Tyler) and, afterwards, was entertained at luncheon at Stowmarket Social Education Centre (Principal, Mr D. Patrick) and toured the Centre.

In the afternoon, Her Royal Highness, Patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, visited the Hadleigh Group at Frog Hall Riding School, Hadleigh and the Newton Hall Equitation Centre, Ipswich.

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 3: The Princess of Wales visited HMS Beaver in the Portland Sea areas today.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Miss Anne *Beckwith-Smith* and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, RN, travelled in an aircraft of *The Queen's Flight*.

June 3: The Duke of Gloucester, Honorary Colonel, Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia), this morning received Lieutenant-Colonel Rupert Smales on relinquishing the appointment of Commanding Officer and Lieutenant-Colonel John Robertson on assuming the appointment.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron, was present this evening at a concert given in aid of The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths at Fishmongers' Hall, London EC4.

Mrs Michael Wigley was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 3: The Duke of Kent, as President of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, today left RAF Northolt for a four-day visit to West Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of 32 Squadron Royal Air Force, is attended by Sir Richard Buckley.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
June 3: Princess Alexandra this afternoon opened the Regional Blood Transfusion Centre of the North Western Regional Health Authority at Plymouth Grove, Manchester.

Her Royal Highness, Vice-Patron of the Young Women's Christian Association of Great Britain, later visited Alexandra House, the YWCA hostel in Whalley Range, Manchester.

Afterwards, Princess Alexandra visited Bolton Under Fives Forum at Kensington House, Bolton, and the new Albert Halls within the Town Hall at Bolton, Greater Manchester.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lady Angela Whiteley.

A memorial service for Mr Bernard Conyers will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, at noon today.

Birthdays today

General Sir Cecil Blacker, 69; Mr Bob Champion, 37; Sir Christopher Cockerell, 75; Rear-Admiral Paul Greening, 57; Mr A. H. C. Greenwood, 68; the Earl of Halsbury, 77; Miss Andrea Jaeger, 20; the Right Rev Dr J. R. H. Moorman, 80; Mr Geoffrey Palmer, 58; Sir John Sparrow, 52; Sir Ronald Wates, 78; Professor J. C. West, 63; Sir Martin Wilkinson, 74.

Memorial service

Lord Beeching
The Lord Chancellor was represented by Sir Derek Oulton, who also read the lesson, at a memorial service for Lord Beeching held at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. Canon Trevor Beeson officiated and Mr Colin Corness, chairman of Redland, read an extract from an address given by Lord Beeching at Great St Mary's, Cambridge. Sir Maurice Hodgson gave an address. Among others present were:

Lady Beeching (widow), Mr and Mrs J Beeching (brother and sister-in-law), Mr N Tiley (brother-in-law), Miss Jane Beeching, Miss Ann Beeching, Mrs B J Cromarty, Mrs R Green, Mr C Twigg, Mrs M Hill, Mr and Mrs J Head, Mr and Mrs J Murray, Mrs M Oldenburgh.

Viscount Caldecote, Lady Marples, Lord and Lady Miles, the Hon Sir Peter Ramsbotham, the Hon Lady Clapham, Lady (Maurice) Hodgson, Sir Anthony Stainton, QC (First Parliamentary Counsel), Sir Peter Matthews, Lady (Alec) Valentine, Sir Peter Parker, Sir Stewart and Lady Mitchell, Sir James Dunnett, Sir Jack Hughes, Sir Reginald Verdon-Smith, Sir Stanley Raymond, Sir Lindsay Alexander (chairman, Lloyds Bank International, representing the Chairman of Lloyds Bank), Sir Peter Lloyd (Monier, Australia), and Lady Lloyd.

Mrs Lynda Chalker (Minister of State for Transport) with Sir Peter Lazarus; Mr J H Harvey-Jones (chairman, Imperial Chemical Industries) with Sir Ewart Smith, Mr P S G Flint and Sir Robin Ibbs; Mr R B Reid (chairman, British Railways Board) with Mr D Fowler, Mr J Myers, Mr J O'Brien, Mr F C Margetts, Mr B Driver, Mr C Blesedale, Mr J Nixon, and Mr M Potter; Mr R S Napier (Redland) and Mrs Napier with Mr and Mrs J E Bolton, Mr and Mrs J W M Wallace, Mr R R Heller, Mr R G F Smith, and Mr M E A Chant; Mr A W Giles (Baring Brothers), Mr Alexander Young, Mrs H Bruhn-Braas (Braas and Company, West Germany), with Mrs K H P Ruthes; Mr A E Frost (Marks and Spencer), Mr Brian Shaw (Furness Withy and Company) and Mrs Shaw, Mr John Seymour (Citibank), Mr H M Herbert (Retired Railway Officers Society), Mr Derek T Jackson (director general, Young Enterprise, also representing the president, Rea Brothers), Mr W S Hayes (Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club), Mr James Horrocks (Press Club) and Mrs Horrocks, Mr Peter Piper, Mr Leslie Norfolk, Dr S Lall, Mr P Cook, Mr and Mrs Anthony Scott-Tucker, Mr John Freeman, Mrs M Turnbull, Mr Colin Bagnall, Dr and Mrs H G Lillicrap, and Dr and Mrs A Caress.

Sale room

Delftware's origin misplaced

By Huon Mallalieu

At first sight "English delftware" might seem a contradiction, but until slapped down by an expert, I believe that originally delftware had nothing to do with Delft in Holland. The term was current in England about fifty years before any pottery was produced in Delft, and surely comes from delved, or earthen, ware.

In any event, early examples are certainly saleable. Yesterday at Christie's a massive polychrome drug jar dated 1656 and decorated with the arms of the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries was sold for £19,440, against an estimate of from £6,000 to £10,000. Only one earlier dated example is recorded.

The sale of English porcelain and pottery made a total of £280,817, with only 5 per cent bought in, and a London dealer, European Antiques, paid £16,200 for a much less sophisticated piece of English pottery dating from about 1830. That was an Obadiah Sherratt group of Polito's famous "Menagerie of the Wonderfull Burds and Beasts From Most Part of the World" (estimate £6,000 to £10,000).

There was much less naivety in a Chelsea oval sauce-boat with the red anchor, of about 1753. It was painted in the manner of O'Neale with some of Aesop's fabulous beasts, and it went to R. & J. Jones, also of London, at £14,040 (estimate £4,000 to £6,000).

A sale of prints at Phillips underlines the fact that Rembrandt etchings need not cost five figures each. They bore the cautious subtitle, "Lifetime and later impressions", because a number of his plates were reprinted and reworked in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Rembrandt's own work comes in various states between which he made alterations, and some are more desirable than others; the quality of the impressions can vary greatly. Even when everything else is right, condition may tell against a print. Yesterday the most expensive was a fine impression of the only state of "Christ returning from the Temple with his parents", which was in quite good condition and was bought by the London dealer Mulder at £7,920 (estimate £8,000 to £12,000).

The sale of 83 lots, either by Rembrandt or from his plates, made a total of £84,716, with 19 per cent failing to sell.

Luncheons

HM Government
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon given at 1 Carlton Gardens in honour of the Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir.

Ministry of Defence
The Chief of the Defence Staff, Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall, and the United Kingdom chiefs of staff were hosts yesterday at a luncheon given at Admiralty House in honour of General G. L. J. Huyser, Chief of Defence Staff, The Netherlands.

Royal Warrant Holders Association
The Lord Mayor was the guest of honour at the annual luncheon of the Royal Warrant Holders Association held at the Hilton hotel yesterday. Comte Alain de Vogüé, president, was in the chair.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Alan Moses to be the junior counsel to the Inland Revenue in common law matters and **Mr Alastair Malcolm** to be prosecuting counsel to the Inland Revenue on the Western Circuit.
Lord Rayner to be chairman of the Coronary Artery Disease Research Association in succession to Sir Cecil Clothier from October 23.
Mr Nigel Eastaway and **Mr Ian Walker** to be members of the council of the Institute of Taxation.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr E. H. M. Coles
and Miss V. Everett
The engagement is announced between Marcus, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Coles, of Deane, Hampshire, and Vivianne, daughter of Mr Derek Everett, of Blaby Leicestershire.

Mr T. F. Ellis
and Miss J. L. Curteis
The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs Herbert Ellis, of 18 Parkfields, London, SW15, and Jennie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Curteis, of Auckland, New Zealand.

Mr A. Hunter
and Miss A. de Bono
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Hunter, of Vicarage Farm, Kirtlington, Oxfordshire, and Anna, elder daughter of Professor and Mrs Antony de Bono, of Manor Farm, Kirtlington, Oxfordshire.

Lieutenant-Commander W. M. Knocker, RN,
and Miss A. J. Marshall
The engagement is announced between William, son of Commander and Mrs W. R. Knocker, of Norton-sub-Hamdon, Somerset, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R. F. B. Marshall, of Godalming, Surrey.

Mr J. D. Lee
and Miss A. M. Casey
The engagement is announced between Douglas, son of Mr and Mrs W. A. Lee, of Charlton, West Sussex, and Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. D. Casey, of Shenfield, Essex.

Ulster wins home countries' bridge cup

Northern Ireland won the women's home countries bridge international for the Lady Milne Cup at north Berwick over the weekend. It was the province's second win only in the international's long history.
Results: Northern Ireland 67; England 61; Wales 46; Scotland 43.

Marriages

Mr H. K. Haig
and Henrietta Lady Greenwell
The marriage took place at Butley Parish Church yesterday of Mr Hugh Kenneth Haig, of Broomy Hall, Dalton, Newcastle upon Tyne, and Henrietta Lady Greenwell, widow of Sir Peter Greenwell, Bt, of Butley Abbey, Woodbridge, Suffolk. The Rev H. E. Garland and the Rev David Gray officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her son, Sir Edward Greenwell, Bt, and Mr Neville Barkes was best man.

A reception was held at Butley Abbey and the honeymoon will be spent in Scotland.

Mr J. B. G. Asher
and Miss B. C. Gilbert
Mr Jeremy Asher and Miss Barrie Gilbert were married by Rabbi Albert Friedlander at the Ritz Hotel, Piccadilly, on May 30.

Mr P. C. G. Cazalet
and Miss V. J. Perry
The marriage took place at the Church of St John the Baptist, Alresford, on Saturday, June 1st of Mr Peter Cazalet, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Cazalet, of Wimbledon, and Miss Jane Perry, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Perry, of Owlesbury, Winchester. The Rev Graham Trasler officiated and the Rev Denis Murphy also took part in the service.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Dolly Jones, Alice Graham, Claire Perry, Nicola Perry, Camilla St John, George Drake, and James Wilson. Mr Hugh Clutterbuck was best man.

A reception was held at Avington Park.

Dr L. Chorlton
and Miss C. M. Lyon
The marriage is announced between Leslie Chorlton, eldest son of Thomas Wilmot Chorlton, of Weston-super-Mare, and Catherine, youngest daughter of the late G. M. Lyon and Mrs Elizabeth A. Lyon, of Chelsea. The marriage will take place at Chancery Lane, Hay-on-Wye, Herefordshire, at 11am on Wednesday June 5, 1985.

Dinners

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher were hosts at a dinner given yesterday at 10 Downing Street in honour of Mr Zhao Ziyang, Premier of China. The other guests were:

Mr Tian Jiyun, Mr Wu Xueqian, the Ambassador of China, Mr Zhou Nan, Mr Gan Ziyu, Mr Lin Zongtang, Mr Jia Shi, Mr Bao Tong, Mr Ke Zaishuo, Mr Mei Zhaorong; Sir Geoffrey Howe QC, MP, Mr Norman Tebbit, MP, Mr Michael Jopling, MP, the Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP, Lord Young of Graffham, the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, the Bishop of Southwark, Lord Cockfield, Lord Richardson of Duntisbourne, Lord Weinstock, Lord King of Wartnaby, Mr James Callaghan, MP, Sir Peter Blaker, MP, Sir Edward Youde, Sir Sze-yuen Chung, Sir Roger lo-Lobo, Sir Yue-Kong Pao.

Sir Paul Bryan, MP, Professor Sir George Porter, Sir Peter Matthews, Sir William Barlow, Sir Francis Tombs, Sir Kenneth Corfield, Sir Austin Pearce, Sir Peter Baxendell, Sir Ernest Harrison, Sir Eric Sharp, Professor Sir Richard Southwood, Admiral Sir James Eberle, Mr Ian MacGregor, Mr Richard Giordano, Mr Antony Pilkington, Mr P G Cazalet, Mr John Swire, Mr Clive Jenkins, Mr E A Hammond, Mr Chris Bonington, Dr Joseph Needham, Dr Keith Griffin, Dr Hugh Baker, Professor David Pollard, Mr Robert Adley, MP, Mrs Heather Angel, Mr Norman Macrea, Mr James Colliart, Miss Kathryn Flower, Admiral Sir John Fieldhouse, Sir Antony Acland, Sir Percy Cradock, Sir Richard Evans, Dr David Wilson, and Mr Charles Powell.

English-Speaking Union
Mr Merlyn Rees, MP, was the guest of honour and speaker at a dinner arranged by the English-Speaking Union for members of the Parliamentary Labour Party at the Reform Club last night. Mr Alan Lee Williams, Director-General of the ESU of the Commonwealth, was host and Sir Donald Tebbit was in the chair. Those present included:

Lord Ennals, Lord Irving of Dartford, Lord Stewart of Fulham, Mr Donald Anderson, MP, Dr Jeremy Bray, MP, Mr Michael Cocks, MP, Mr Eric Deakins, MP, Mr Bryan Gould, MP, Mr Brynmor John, MP, Mr Kevin McNamara, MP, Mr Roland Moyle, Mr Peter Stephenson, Mr Philip Whitehead, Mr David Griffiths and Mr Michael Wynne-Parker.

Music Therapy Charity
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of London, Sir Alan and Lady Traill, Sir Jack Lyons, chairman of governors of the Music Therapy Charity, and Lady Lyons were hosts at a dinner, with music by Jack Brymer and the London Symphony Orchestra Quartet, at the Mansion House yesterday. Among those present were:

The Austrian Ambassador and Mrs Thomas, the South African Ambassador and Dr Anita Worrall, Viscount and Viscountess Weir, Ruth Lady Fermoy, Lady Barnetson, Lord and Lady Lever of Manchester, Lady Jane Fellowes, the Hon Sir Peter Ramsbotham, Sir Christopher and Lady Leaver, Sir Edward and the Hon Lady Ford, Sir Philip Shelbourne, Sir John and Lady Badenoch, Lady Martin, Major D S And Lady Joan Robertson, Mr Ernest Saunders and Mrs Saunders (joint chairman), Mr Peter Andry and Mrs Andry (joint chairman), Mr Peter Cooper (joint deputy chairman), Mr Robert Maxwell (joint deputy chairman), Mr Philip Chappell, Mrs Helen Eppel, Mrs Evan James, Mrs Lewis Simmons, Mr John Theroux and Mrs Theroux (hon secretary), and Mrs and Mrs Henry Wrong.

St Edward's School, Oxford

The following scholarships have been awarded to St Edward's School, Oxford:
Major scholarships: D Bright, Bilton Grange; M Holmes, Ashfold; D Wood, Hordle House; C Goddard, St Edward's School and Oakley Hall.
Minor scholarships: M Danziger, Dragon School; P Gillot, Haileybury Junior School; J May, Dragon School; D Wethey, Winchester House. Honorary: Dragon School/St Edward's scholar: T Marshall. Barclays Bank Goodenough scholars: D Geer, St Bede's Eastbourne; M Jenkins, New Beacon; I Taylor, St John's, Northwood.
Exhibitions: S Bullmore, Winchester House; F Kemp, Dragon School; M Miles Griffiths, Haileybury Junior School; S Jewell, Josca's (art); G Mullin, Beaudesert Park (services).
Music
Scholarships: A Owens, Prebendal; R Dickinson, Swanbourne; J Conder, St Edward's and New College; S Boswell, Bishop Kirk.
Exhibitions: D Bright, Bilton Grange; N Asbury, St Edward's and Bilton Grange.
Continuation scholarships (£1 plus): 1, Christopher Pitcher, Gayhurst; 2, James Summers, Dragon School; 3, Richard Garey, The Beacon; equal 4, James and Marcus Cowper, Ashfold.
Goodenough scholarships (Barclays Bank): A Butt, Parkside; O Hill, Hurstpierpoint College; N Hills, Holmewood House; D Sanderson, Eagle House; M Sweeney, Ashfold.

Charterhouse

The following have been recommended for election to foundation scholarships to Charterhouse in 1985:
1, A T B Krick, Holmewood House, Langton Green; 2, J E S Parrish, Ashdown House, Forest Row; 3, E Knobel, Aldro, Shackleford; 4, A R Wilmot-Smith, Aysgarth School, Bedale; 5, J H H Bloodow, Dragon School, Oxford; 6, S B H Watts, Claremont School, St Leonards-on-Sea and Charterhouse; 7, G R Burt, Hall Grove, Bagshot; 8, I T I Clark, Claremont School, St Leonards-on-Sea; 9, G Drew, Amesbury School, Hindhead; 10, M L Fisher, Edgeborough, Frensham; 11, A J L Bosley, Holmwood House, Lexden; 12, T W Hornett, Hall Grove, Bagshot.
Benn Scholarship: J H H Bloodow, Dragon School, Oxford.
Music scholarships: B G Blyth, King's College School, Cambridge; W J Clements, The Pilgrim's School, Winchester; R N R Lane, Brambletye, East Grinstead. Sixth form: Camilla Jarnot, St Anne's School, Southampton; Lucy Marshall, Merchant Taylor's School for Girls, Crosby.
Art scholarship: G A Irvine, Dragon School, Oxford; T J Bradley, Great Ballard, Chichester. Sixth form: Wendy McIvor, St Catherine's School, Bramley; Sally Somers, Woolmer Hill County Secondary School, Haslemere.

The King's School, Canterbury

Girls entering the sixth form in September 1986 may compete for one academic scholarship which will be offered as a result of the entrance examination held in October 1985. One or more music scholarships will also be offered for competition in February 1986. The school prospectus may be obtained from the Headmaster's Secretary, The King's School, Canterbury, Kent.

OBITUARY

LORD GEORGE-BROWN

Impassioned spokesman of the Labour Right



Lord George-Brown, PC, who died in Cornwall on June 2 aged 70, was Secretary of State for Economic Affairs from 1964 to 1966 and Foreign Secretary from 1966 to 1968 and one of the most remarkable figures in the Labour Party of his times.

He was for much of his political life, indeed almost until his final severance from the Labour Party in 1976, closer to the traditional heart of the Labour movement, both in background and in attitude, than any of his leading colleagues in the party; and it was this that gave him his unique hold on the affection of ordinary party members.

His second great asset was the sheer power of his personality. In the House of Commons, he was capable of appalling *gaffes*. But on the public platform none of his contemporaries could move a Labour audience as Brown could.

His greatest strength was his emotional power – his passionate commitment to the ideas in which he believed, his burning determination to translate them into action.

On the reverse side of the same coin lay his greatest weakness the emotional extravagance which led to outbursts of intolerable bad temper at one moment, followed by smiles and reconciliation the next. It was this emotional extravagance which denied him the leadership of his party, and which led, in the end, to his fall from power.

George Alfred Brown was born in Peabody Buildings, Southwark, on September 2, 1914. His father was a lorry driver, and an active trade unionist. Brown himself left school at 16, and became a fur salesman with the John Lewis partnership. Later he became a full-time organizer for the Transport and General Workers' Union in North London.

It was as a TGWU nominee that he was selected as Labour candidate for Belper, and entered the House of Commons in 1945.

During the war he had served on the Hertfordshire Agriculture Committee; and was appointed parliamentary secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture in 1947. He served in this post with distinction; and in the Cabinet reshuffle which followed Aneurin Bevan's resignation in April, 1951, he was appointed Minister of Works and a privy councillor.

In April, 1956, he was nominated for election as party treasurer in succession to Hugh Gaitskell, who had been elected leader of the party. His chances of election were not improved, however, when it was reported that at a Labour Party dinner for the visiting Soviet leaders, Khrushchev and Bulganin, he had quarrelled savagely with the guests. In fact, the quarrel was started by Khrushchev; but the report helped to create around Brown an aura of right-wing extremism which may well have helped to ensure his defeat in the election for treasurer that October.

But Brown's reputation as a crude and provocative hatchet man of the far Right of the Labour movement was, in fact, wide of the mark. During the bitter controversies over Labour's defence policies, which almost tore the party in pieces after the 1959 election, his position was a good deal more moderate than most of his critics in the Centre and Left of the party realized. By now, he was the party's defence spokesman in the House of Commons: and when the Government announced in the spring of 1960 that the British "Blue Streak" missile project had failed, it was Brown who seized the opportunity in Gaitskell's absence abroad, to argue that the whole concept of an independent British nuclear deterrent had now become untenable.

After the party conference of October, 1960, however, he made no further attempts of this sort. After hearing a passionate speech by Hugh Gaitskell declaring that if the unilateralist line were adopted he would "fight, fight and fight again" to reverse it, the conference proceeded to carry the Transport and General Workers' unilateralist resolution by a small majority. Brown threw himself into the fight to reverse the unilateralist decision with unsurpassed energy and enthusiasm.

In the summer of 1960, Bevan had died. When Parliament reassembled in the autumn, the party was faced with the necessity of finding a successor. It was also faced with an election for the leadership itself. By tradition, elections for the party leadership were contested only in the event of death or retirement. On this occasion, however, Gaitskell was challenged by Harold Wilson, the champion of the Left. At the same time, Brown stood for the deputy leadership against Fred Lee. The elections, in other words, were a clear trial of strength between the Left and the Right. The result was a decisive victory for the Right. Gaitskell was triumphantly reelected against Wilson, and Brown received a majority of 63 votes over Fred Lee.

In November, 1961, Brown was easily reelected to the Deputy Leadership; in November, 1962, he was reelected with a majority of 30 votes over Harold Wilson.

In January, 1963, Gaitskell died after a sudden illness. It was obvious that there were only two serious contenders for the succession – Brown and Wilson. Only two months before, Brown had defeated Wilson by a convincing margin. It was an open secret that he was supported by the overwhelming majority of the Shadow Cabinet, and by most of the leading figures in the trade unions. By all the laws of Labour politics, his victory should have been assured.

In fact, however, Wilson led easily on the first ballot – securing 115 votes to Brown's 88, and James Callaghan's 41. Wilson was elected on the second ballot with 144 votes to Brown's 103.

However, as Deputy Leader he displayed the same loyalty to Wilson which he had previously displayed towards Gaitskell; and when the Labour Party won the general election in October, 1964, by a hair's breadth, he was the only possible Deputy Prime Minister.

Even before the election, Wilson had committed himself to set up a new ministry, responsible for economic planning and charged with the task of direct intervention in the economy in order to promote a faster rate of growth. It had been decided that this new Ministry should be headed by Brown. When the new Cabinet was formed in October, 1964, he accordingly became First Secretary and Secretary of State for Economic Affairs.

There followed nearly two years of unremitting and exhausting activity. Economic advisers were recruited from outside Whitehall; they and the career civil servants had to be welded into a team. More important still, a National Plan had to be drawn up. Above all, an arduous battle had to be fought; both inside the Government machine and in public, in order to find a way of eliminating the yawning balance of payments deficit which the Government had inherited – but without introducing deflationary measures of the traditional kind, and therefore destroying any hope of carrying out Labour's promise to produce a higher rate of growth.

On coming into office, the Government decided against devaluing the pound; and also against severe deflation. But some other method had to be found of improving Britain's competitive position and of reassuring foreign creditors that the new Government was determined to put the British economy to rights. The method decided upon was the prices and incomes policy, and it fell to George Brown and the DEA to make the incomes policy a reality.

Brown's first battle was to convince the rank and file of the trade union movement that the only way to secure a permanent improvement in the standard of living of the British people was to renounce the uncontrolled use of trade union bargaining power and to refrain from forcing up wages as far as the market would let them go.

The second consisted of a prolonged and bitter rearguard action against the Treasury, which remained unconvinced that the incomes policy would work fast enough to produce results in the short term, and which continued to press for more traditional methods of producing a balance of payments surplus and restoring foreign confidence.

For the first 18 months of the Government's life it looked as though it might squeeze its way through to a balance of payments surplus in due course, without being forced to introduce deflationary measures.

These hopes came crashing down in July, 1966. Thanks to the seamen's strike in the early summer, a damaging run on sterling developed. The Treasury pressed for severe deflation and a wage freeze. Brown resisted both, but in the end, the Prime Minister came down on the Treasury's side; and the Cabinet endorsed his view. To Brown it seemed that everything he had stood for at the Department of Economic Affairs was in ruins.

His resignation from the cabinet was not accepted by the Prime Minister but it was clear that he could no longer remain at an economics Ministry. For years, one of Brown's main political ambitions had been the Foreign Secretaryship and at the end of the summer he was appointed.

Ever since Britain's first application to join the European Economic Community, under the Macmillan Government, Brown had been an ardent European. He had supported the Common Market even against Gaitskell; and when he became Foreign Secretary in the summer of 1966 he threw all his massive powers of persuasion and political weight into the pro-European scales inside the Government.

During the early months of 1967, he and Wilson carried out a prolonged probing operation in each of the Common Market capitals. By the end of March, it seemed clear that the Government had to decide between making an application for membership and hedging it about with reservations and conditions, and making an application in virtually unqualified terms.

It was here that Brown's influence in the Cabinet appears to have been a major factor. When the application was finally made in May, it turned out that the Labour Government had asked to join with far fewer reservations than its Conservative predecessors had made. To Brown and his supporters in the pro-European section of the party, it seemed that a major victory had been won.

Their triumph was short-lived. The Government's strategy was to storm its way into the Common Market – hoping that if it demonstrated sufficient enthusiasm for the cause of European unity, it would build up so much goodwill on the continent that French opposition to British membership would be overwhelmed by the rest of the Community.

But it became increasingly clear that the key to British entry was held by the Germans. If Germany was willing to risk a major conflict with France for the sake of British membership, the British Government's strategy might succeed. If not, failure was inevitable.

The German Coalition Government was in favour of British membership: but it was even more in favour of good relations with France. The fact that the German Foreign Minister was the old Social Democrat, Willy Brandt, whose political outlook was far closer to George Brown's or Harold Wilson's than to President de Gaulle's, made no difference.

What counted was bargaining power, not political sentiment; and President de Gaulle had far more bargaining power than a British Government grappling with a gowing balance of payments deficit and an increasingly shaky currency.

At the end of September, the Common Market Commission at Brussels issued a report on the problems involved in British entry, which implied that the British economy was too frail to stand the shock.

At the end of November, President de Gaulle announced that he would once again veto Britain's application.

For Brown, de Gaulle's second veto was a personal tragedy as well as a political setback.

Even before the veto, he had shown signs of strain. In March, 1968, the storm burst. On the night of March 14-15, Wilson and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Roy Jenkins, decided, in response to a request from the Americans, to close the London gold market the following day. The currency markets of the world were in the throes of an acute speculative crisis; and it was necessary to act quickly. Brown and other leading Ministers were not kept informed of developments through the evening, and learned of the Royal Proclamation at one o'clock in the morning of March 15, from the ticker tape in the House Commons. Brown was understandably indignant. He collected a group of Ministers together, and insisted on taking them to demand an explanation from the Prime Minister

Next day his resignation was tendered and accepted with few indications of regret.

There was no disguising the fact that he had resigned, not because of the policy disagreement with his colleagues, but because of a personal quarrel with the Prime Minister; and despite the goodwill he still commanded in the parliamentary party and the movement outside, he emerged from the whole affair with his reputation badly damaged.

He still kept his place as Deputy Leader of the party. politically, however, he was in the wilderness. However, he disdained to seek either a party or a union post. And when Harold Wilson's Government sought re-election 1970 he unselfishly took on a rumbustious 2,000-mile election tour of marginal seats – while his own Belper, by then itself marginal after rapid changes, failed to fight off the Tories. Losing by 2,124 votes, he was suddenly, at 55 and after 25 years as MP, one of the elderly unemployed.

In the Resignation Honours he went, with seven others to the Lords as a life peer and, following the example of Lords Ritchie-Calder and Frances-Williams, became Lord George-Brown.

In October, 1970, the serial version of his memoirs, *In My Way*, were notable for their lack of decorum.

From 1968 to 1973 he was special productivity counsellor to Courtaulds, helping the company to introduce new methods and equipment; and in 1974 he became chairman of Stewart Title (UK) Ltd. In 1976 he was awarded Milan University's Biancamano Prize for his contribution to European life.

The end of Lord George-Brown's membership of the Labour Party came on March 2, 1976, when he resigned over what he saw as a threat to democracy from a Bill on closed shops which had been supported by Mr Michael Foot. Later, he was a founder member of the SDP.

In 1937 he married Sophie Levene, and they had two daughters.

Science report

The ever-growing radio galaxies

By a Special Correspondent

About eight thousand million years ago, before the Earth was even in embryo form, the now giant radio galaxies of the universe were much smaller according to Dr Vijay K. Kapahi, of the renowned Tata Institute of Fundamental Research in Bombay.

Dr Kapahi has been studying recent deep surveys of the radio sky by astronomers at the University of Berkeley, California, and Leiden University, in The Netherlands, and he concludes there is now firm evidence that radio galaxies have got bigger as the universe has aged.

Nowadays some of those galaxies are gigantic, such as the Southern Hemisphere object Centaurus A, whose radio emission emerges from a region nearly two million light years across. Centaurus A is also close to us in cosmological terms; it is just 12 million light years away. Thus we see it as it was 12 million years ago, a mere instant in the 10,000 to 20,000-million-year age of the universe.

By comparison with the size of Centaurus A, our own radio-quiet Milky Way is less than 100 thousand light years across – 20 times smaller.

The reason for that difference in scale is that the radio galaxies, like Centaurus A, have violently active cores, which send beams of radiation deep into intergalactic space.

There, those beams interact with intergalactic gas and dust to make gigantic swirls of plasma emitting radio waves, which are then detected on Earth. The actual "galaxy" or collection of stars at the centre of a radio galaxy is much smaller than the radio galaxy appears to be, and more like our own Milky Way.

But what Dr Kapahi can now assure us, using the Berkely-Leiden data, is that long ago in cosmological terms the radio-emitting regions of the radio galaxies were smaller and closer together.

Dr Kapahi has looked at groups of radio galaxies of roughly equal brightness in three regions: "local" about (2,000 to 3,000 million light years distant); "intermediate" (about 4,000 million light years); "distant" (about 8,000 million light years away).

He considered the most distant objects were lying towards the edge of the visible universe, so we are now seeing them as they were shortly after galaxies were first formed in the universal expansion after the "Big Bang".

According to Dr Kapahi's figures, the bulk of the measurable early radio galaxies were only some 200 to 300 thousand light years across, and many (so far unmeasurable) must have been smaller. His "local" sample has typical sizes of 600 to 1,500 thousand light years (approaching that of neighbouring Centaurus A).

There is thus strong evidence that radio galaxies have been growing, Dr Kapahi says, and thus furher evidence that those strange objects cannot always have been active, but must once have "switched on", rather like the even more powerful and generally more distant quasars. As to how they switched on, and how they develop, that is for astrophysicists now to determine.

Source: Monthly Notes, Royal Astronomical Society, vol 214, p 19 (1985).

Bradford Collection of Dutch Engraved Glass: English & Continental Glass & Glass Paperweights: Tuesday, 4 June at 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. & 2.30 p.m. King Street: Hours spent in the salerooms and searching through antique shops, has resulted in Lord Bradford amassing what must be considered one of the most comprehensive collections of 18th century Dutch engraved drinking glasses. The 60 lots on offer this morning, including a rare set of 12 glasses commissioned by members of the Council of the Heusden Water Board, encompass the three major techniques of glass decoration: diamond-point engraving, stipple and wheel-engraving, in which the Dutch masters of the 18th century reigned supreme. Signed examples including pieces by Schurman, Schonck, Greenwood and Sang as well as an extensive series of glasses attributed to David Wolff and an anonymous hand. The second portion of the sale includes a hitherto unrecorded signed Beilby Royal Armorial goblet inscribed *Success to the African Trade of Whitehaven*, a rare enamelled flask dated 1757 and a signed Jacob Sang shipping goblet. The French paperweights include a rare St. Louis pink-encased upright bouquet weight (£3,000 to £5,000). *Entries for next sale close 10 September.*

Stamps: British Empire: Tuesday, 4 June at 10.30 a.m., 47 Duke Street, St. James's: Proof printings of stamps in Ascension form an important group and a collection of Malta includes most issued stamps to the end of George V's reign in today's 570-lot sale of British Empire. There is a group of letters of the 1870s from Italy to Malta posted on board ship with Italian stamps postmarked on arrival in Malta. The best of these will probably realise over £500. Another high priced early letter is from Prince of Wales Island (Malaya) to Scotland in 1826 (£500). A rare emergency overprint, 6 cents on 8 cents made in North Borneo in 1891 is valued at £1,000 for the single stamp. Just 50 years ago, the whole of the British Empire honoured the Silver Jubilee of King George V with a series of 239 commemorative stamps showing Windsor Castle. A complete unused set is being offered with a valuation of £200 and a used set at £250.

Continental Furniture, Objects of Art & Tapestries: Thursday, 6 June at 11 a.m. & 2.30 p.m. King Street: A walnut meuble en deux corps, partly 16th century, the decoration traditionally thought to illustrate the Treaty of Château-Camresis, in which the cities of Calais, Metz, Toul and Verdun were recovered for France, is expected to realise £15,000 to £20,000 in the Furniture section of this sale. An ormolu-mounted amaranth and tulipwood longcase regulator clock, after the model attributed to Martin Carlin now in the Louvre, is expected to make £4,000 to £6,000. Among German pieces, a mid-18th century giltwood armchair, together with a pair of *en suite* side chairs, sent for sale by the Earl of Clarendon, are expected to realise £4,000 to £6,000. A German ormolu-mounted black lacquer bureau cabinet from the same collection is expected to make £10,000 to £15,000. The sale's objects include a pair of mother-of-pearl dishes (£2,000 to £3,000); a collection of six Griotte marble reductions of classical ruins (£1,500 to £2,500) and a pair of Nove faience girandoles (£3,000 to £4,000). Tapestries include a Flemish example depicting the shipwreck of Ulysses with Polyphemus, the one-eyed giant standing on the shore beside a tree (£10,000 to £15,000). *Entries for next sale close 9 September.*

Modern British & Irish Paintings, Drawings & Sculpture: Friday, 7 June at 11 a.m. & 2.30 p.m., King Street: Another very varied and interesting group of 20th century English and Irish pictures make up this sale. Sir Gavin Lyle, Bt., has sent in a number of paintings which had been collected by his father, including three distinguished pictures by Charles Ginner, two paintings by Sir William Nicholson, both showing the influence through Manet of Velasquez. From the collection of the Harewood Charitable Trust there comes one of the rare First World War battle scenes by C.R.W. Nevinson and, apart from the Ginners, the Camden Town Group is represented by five paintings by Sickert, two Lucien Pissarros and a small nude on a bed by Spencer Gore. Two later pictures from the Lyle Collection, *Mantel-piece* by Paul Nash (£15,000 to £20,000) and *The Anchor* by Tristram Hillier (£8,000 to £12,000) both show the influence of the Surrealists. The Newlyn School is represented by a fine large painting and also two others by Stanhope Forbes and these are followed by a splendid early Munnings gouache showing a huntsman mounted on a white horse entitled *The Edge of the Spinney, 1911* (£15,000 to £20,000). *Entries for next sale close 2 September.*

Weekend Opening: Christie's King Street will be open for viewing at weekends* until 21 July. Staff will be available to advise clients on works of art on view. Property can be accepted for sale on Saturdays only. Opening Times: Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

For further information on these and other June sales please contact 01-839 9060 for King Street or 01-581 7611 for South Kensington. South Kensington is open every Monday evening until 7 p.m. for viewing and free valuations.

*Except Bank Holiday weekends.

CHRISTIE'S
A WEEK IN VIEW

THE ARTS

Galleries in Berlin

Historic marvels at last open to the light



Endless detail, vigorous observation: an eighteenth-century Chinese scroll-painting of *Sport on Ice*

Treasures from the Forbidden City/Europe and the Emperors of China

Martin-Gropius-Bau

Opening display

Kunstgewerbemuseum

Since Berlin has had a number of happy collaborations with mainland China on major exhibitions in the past, it is probably not too surprising that Berlin should be permitted to have the first (and only planned) showing outside China of Treasures from the Forbidden City, the cream of the Palace Museum's wonders, especially in the various lines of painting. But even the organizers of the show, which will be at the Martin-Gropius-Bau until August 18 as part of this year's Horizonte world-culture festival, were amazed and delighted at the scale and the magnificence of China's contribution.

Not only has none of the artworks included ever been seen outside China, but most of them have never been seen by the public inside China either: the lifesize imperial portraits on silk and the enormous scroll paintings which chronicle events such as the Emperor Kangxi's southern journey in 1691, more than 200 metres of which (about a quarter of the whole) runs round three sides of the Martin-Gropius-Bau's cavernous central space, have the sparkle and freshness of objects which have never in their whole history been open to the light for any length of time. Indeed, with paintings which were in the imperial collection for some centuries, we can even know just how many times each individual owner had them unrolled for his own personal delectation: each time one was seen it received the imperial stamp, so that we can know, for example, that the scroll of grasses and flowers growing along the Great Wall, a most astonishing fusion of satisfactory aesthetic pattern-making and detailed documentary usefulness, was consulted by the Emperor Qianlong precisely eight times.

Even for Western experts the show will have its surprises. The emphasis on the ceremonial court styles of the Qing dynasty, preoccupied as they were with individual portraiture, crisp outline and carefully worked detail, gives an unfamiliar perspective on Chinese painting, in which of course we are used to the other tradition, the free style of brush-drawing so highly prized, with its associated downgrading of colour as such. True, there are superb examples of that too, such as the breathtaking scroll *Flowers and Plants of the Four Seasons*, by Xu Wei (1521-1593), and the amazing smaller painting of a man riding beneath a plum-tree by the same painter, an incontrovertible demonstration that less is more. But what sticks in the memory is the opening succession of large imperial portraits, with their gradual introduction of Western perspective (under Jesuit influence) and their dazzlingly vivid depiction of individual character, from the wily elder-statesman Kangxi to the massively confident younger image of the same man.

And then there are the scrolls, endlessly detailed and full of vigorous invention (or rather observation, for it is surprising how little these paintings obtrusively owe to artistic convention). A whole way of life is disclosed to us, in an almost cinematic fashion, and there are many touches of humour even in the midst of ritual events like the shooting competition on ice-skates. The great southern journey scrolls become at once a map, a chronicle and a survey, while still remaining eminently satisfactory and complete as works of art, in a form virtually without parallel in the West.

The principal show also includes select examples of the finest Chinese ceramics, the earliest and best bronzes and jades. And upstairs there is a supplementary show, illuminating and sometimes enchanting, called Europe and the Emperors of China, drawing some of the rarest items from European collections to illustrate the history of China through Western eyes and the image of China in Western imaginations. Here are another section of the southern journey scroll, which has somehow arrived in the Musée Guimet, and the Longobardi Globe from London, and numerous pieces of chinoiserie from all over Europe to illuminate the craze and create a piquant contrast with the real thing down below.

While the reconditioned Martin-Gropius-Bau is thus occupied, its prewar contents have just been put on display again after 40 years out of sight while the ticklish question of their new permanent home was decided. The national collection of European applied arts, roughly equivalent to the relevant sections of the Victoria and Albert, is now in a brand new museum building, opened three weeks ago, as part of a long-term plan, dating back to 1966, to rehouse the most important Berlin collections of European art in a massive museum complex (five in all). They will join Mies van der Rohe's Nationalgalerie and Scharoun's Philharmonic Hall, with its new chamber annexe, and Staatsbibliotek, in the largest cultural concentration within the Wall.

Is that a good idea? How will the existing buildings on the site be incorporated? What – a very German question – about the whole philosophy of museum management the scheme implies? What, more specifically, do people feel about the design of the new complex, the work of a Scharoun disciple, Rolf Gutbrod, who freely admits that his work is criticized as "grandfather's architecture" ("But then why not? I am a grandfather, after all")? All these questions, looming over the one new museum, tend to distract from the wonders within its walls. For the record, however, the building is not encouraging. A weird *mélange* of materials, it juxtaposes brick facings, evidently only skin-deep if you take a close side-view ("They were big on brick in the Sixties", says Gutbrod apologetically) with rough-cast concrete and smooth suburban cement on the exterior, and inside mixes rough concrete, painted and unpainted, with tiles, wood, polished granite and miles of super-cinema wall-to-wall carpeting. All the ugly but vaguely functional-looking detailing on ceilings and stairs and display cases proves on inspection to be merely someone's idea of decorative. Frumpy on the outside, fussy on the inside, is not a good formula to start with.

But – and it is a big but – the building does work quite well as a setting for a real Wunderkammer. The museum's collections of medieval metalwork and enamels, of jewellery and of tapestries, will come as a revelation, and, though the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries seem a bit thin on the ground, it more than recovers with one of the best collections of late nineteenth and early twentieth-century glass anywhere in the world, and a stunning display of recent art pots.

Obviously the collection cannot match overall, nor does it try to, the scope and variety of the Victoria and Albert or the Metropolitan. But in its chosen fields it is probably unbeatable, and it is nice for once to see a museum in which each piece on display has room to breathe. This is particularly noticeable upstairs – the building is on two main levels with a mezzanine entirely given over to information and documentation – where the ceramics and glass are for the most part left exquisitely floating in an uncluttered space created by virtually invisible glass cases, while some important pieces of Art Nouveau furniture are (for the moment at least) just dropped with perilous domestic casualness in the middle of what will no doubt be much-walked rooms.

For the British visitor it will be particularly pleasing (and surprising) to see Victorian art pottery and our own twentieth-century contributions to Deco glass (in the shape particularly of Monart glass from Perth, which stands up very well to the grand competition) so well represented in an international collection. But in general, even with strong doubts about the design of the whole, one can only decently express delight that all these wonders are at last out of the boxes and there again for everyone to enjoy.

John Russell Taylor

Theatre

Ongoing fantasy situation

Woman in Mind

Scarborough

Like logs on a slow-moving river, the statistics pile up: the thirtieth year of the, Stephen Joseph Theatre in the Round, the thirty-second play of Alan Ayckbourn to be premièred here. Or maybe, since Mr Ayckbourn's effusions follow such a familiar scheme, we should call this Part 32 of the same work.

As usual we discover mild, unstylish, rather feeble-minded, but not unsympathetic, middle-class characters humouring one another's foibles and wriggling in the grip of conventional contradictions which require an outside force for their happy resolution. In this instalment of the continuing situation comedy, the outside force comes from within the central character's mind and the resolution is quizzical to the point of bafflement.

The woman of the title comes to herself sprawled in her garden with a man speaking gobbledegook at her. It emerges that she has knocked herself out by standing on the tines of her rake and that the man is a GP. To his insistence that she is in a small, unremarkable suburban garden, the woman opposes her fantasy, liberated by concussion, that she is the mistress of expansive acres peopled by an adoring family who talk posh, dress all in white and drink "champers".

With a fantasy life such as this, it might be thought that she deserves everything she gets from her real family – her husband, a stodgy vicar, who pays more attention to his history of the parish than he does to the connubial bed, her drab sister-in-law who makes omelettes with Earl Gray instead of herbs, and finally her disaffected son, a refugee from a repressive cult.

These "real" people are unfortunately only a shade less stock than the phantoms which increasingly contaminate the woman's perception, and which take a turn for the demonic. Her husband's manuscript is unaccountably burned during a thunderstorm, and her fantasy family stage an almost incomprehensible finale combining a wedding with a race meeting.

Ursula Jones is pettish and rather fraught in the lead role and Russell Dixon seems altogether too acute for her husband. Barry McCarthy as the GP is Ayckbourn Man incarnate: itchy, weight-shifting, embarrassed and embarrassing.

Martin Cropper

● The refurbished Croydon Warehouse reopens on June 25 with a new play. *Cheapside*, by David Allen, set in the London of 1591-92 and including Marlowe and Shakespeare among its characters. James Bolam leads the cast.

Television

The sceptical approach

Bodyline **(BBC 2) dwells somewhere in the shade of *Chariots of Fire*, at least in the sense that sportsmen are granted quasi-heroic status and that sport (in this case cricket) is seen to be a reasonable substitute for religions of a more orthodox kind.**

In fact the historical survey at the beginning of last night's episode (the first of five) would suggest that cricket was somehow one of the great representative features of empire, and that the rather drab cricketers revealed were the equivalent of Livingstone in wilds and of Brunel in industry. Yet the game itself lacks interest for the vast majority of mankind, and the effort of *Bodyline* to turn it into the material of great drama deserves to rank with the alchemist's aim to convert dross into gold. One might as well make a television drama out of bee-keeping.

The first episode was concerned with the beginnings of a rivalry between English and Australian cricketers, which apparently led to the development of that dangerous bowling technique which gives the series its title.

The production comes from Australia, and therefore can be expected to deal with the English contingent in a somewhat sceptical way: never has the stuffed shirt and the stiff upper lip been presented in so melodramatic and therefore unconvincing a manner. This was not helped by the fact that many of the "English" characters had marked Australian accents, and by a script which owed more to the tones of the crudest soap opera than to historical reconstruction.

As a result, it was not easy to work up any enthusiasm for the histories of Douglas Jardine or Donald Bradman, and it seemed particularly difficult for these characters to bear the weight of national and social significance which was being dropped on them from a great height. A bat and a ball are not quite the materials of myth, in any case, and it is hard to see how they can be kept up for the next four instalments. If only rain could stop play.

Peter Ackroyd

Rock

Chris Rea

Hammersmith Odeon

Whatever happens during the next few weeks at St James' Park and Wembley Stadium, I doubt that I shall enjoy another concert this year as much as that given on Sunday night by Chris Rea, the singer and songwriter from Middlesbrough whose latest British tour has turned into a celebration of the welcome chart success of "Stainsby Girls", his slice of sweet nostalgia.

The adjective that comes most readily to mind in discussion of Rea is "soulful". His voice, to take his most obvious asset, has the kind of sandpaper texture typical of the first division of British blue-eyed soul singers, such as Stevie Winwood, Eric Burdon and Van Morrison; lower in range than theirs, Rea's has something in common with the soft-focus gruffness of Dire Straits' Mark Knopfler.

His songs make their statements with an affecting simplicity and a reflective air that he shares with such mature craftsmen as Knopfler, Bruce Springsteen and Don Henley. Some, such as "Stainsby Girls" and the powerful "Steel River", deal with his north-eastern roots; most are about relationships, and among the best of these are the sombre "Love's Strange Ways" and the lovely "Josephine", which certainly deserves to be his next hit.

The 15 songs in his 100-minute show were meticulously arranged, using to the full the capabilities of his five-piece band and making imaginative use of instrumental playouts, often featuring the keyboards of Kevin Leach and Max Middleton. Rea's own guitar also deserved its solo space, particularly for the shivering bottleneck sortie on "Love's Strange Ways" and the reticence of his liquid phrases on the jazzy, finger-snapping "Dancing Shoes".

The sense of enjoyment on both sides of the footlights was such that Rea and the audience could hardly bear to let each other go. His final encore, a cunningly underplayed version of "Fool If You Think It's Over", better known as a hit for Elkie Brooks, typified the modesty and musicianship of a thoroughly admirable pop star.

Richard Williams

Gil Scott-Heron

Ronnie Scott's

Although he does not like being labelled, particularly as a "protest singer", Gil Scott-Heron may fairly be described as a radical black poet and jazz-funk musician. A former novelist and university lecturer, he is a highly literate and articulate man who has chosen the language of the street and the medium of music to convey his politically charged message.

The content of the performance was unequivocal. Condemnation of President Reagan and his administration was expressed with characteristic vigour. The daunting catalogue of dissatisfaction was conveyed with grace and humour, and, while it was plain the audience were with him all the way, he resisted the temptation to turn the concert into a sermon to the converted.

Leading a four-piece band, Scott-Heron sang fluently in his rich, easy baritone; the warmth and depth of his voice was never more evident than during "Blue Collar", where he sounded at moments like Isaac Hayes, while "Save the Children" and "Washington D.C.", a paean to his home town, were similarly impressive.

The band provided a mixed contribution. The keyboardist, Kim Jordan, played with verve while the saxophonist Ron Holloway's solos displayed an invigorating range of high-frequency jazz phrases. The drummer, Steve Walker, lacked the power to match this intensity, while Robert Gordon's ostentatious bass playing was a little too slap-happy.

The small club atmosphere of Ronnie Scott's favoured the intimate style of delivery as Scott-Heron addressed the audience like friends in his front room.

David Sinclair

Concerts

Spectrum/Protheroe

Guildhall, Bath

Simon Holt's new piece for the Bath Festival was billed as a Clarinet Quintet, but the work when it arrived disclaimed any such traditionalism. What we heard was a *Burlesca oscura*, an assortment of images scored for clarinet or bass clarinet with string quartet. The suggestion of a carnival to explain this music is the composer's own, and it is apt. The piece is a 14-minute parade of mostly brief and vividly coloured masks, demanding characterful and virtuoso playing from all involved: here we heard David Campbell and the Arditti Quartet, playing together as Spectrum, in a very creditable first performance.

Much of the music is loud and fierce in its gestures, but the extreme control creates a feeling of antique poise: as in earlier works, Holt has learnt much from Birtwistle in this respect, enough to make the brutal pizzicatos, the loud glissandos and the pitch-bendings part of a musical design and not just display them as evidence of a tortured sensibility. What also makes the work expressively indirect, very effectively so, is its capacity to combine quite opposed kinds of music: strident shrieks with very soft melodies, efforts at lyricism with knotty networks of chords.

The remainder of this enterprising programme, conducted by Guy Protheroe, consisted of other recent works, Xenakis's *Akanthos* of 1977 being the oldest. Rosemary Hardy was the soprano soloist in its desert alarms. The same ensemble of soprano and octet was used by Jonathan Harvey to very different purposes in his *Song Offerings*, which is a cycle of Tagore settings on the theme of love as mystical experience. I kept wishing Harvey had turned for his text to the *Song of Songs*: Tagore's second-hand imagery seemed responsible for an undue obviousness in the word-setting, and it was the instrumental music alone that came near taking flight, especially in the hedonistic dance of the second movement and the bifurcating melodies of the third.

Michael Finnisy's *Banumbirr*, for *Pierrot* quintet, looked further than Harvey in the same south-easterly direction: the word is Australian Aborigine for the morning star, and the music consists of quiet cascades repeatedly falling into uncomfortable, creeping quarter-tone-mistuned unisons.

Paul Griffiths



Simon Holt: vividly coloured masks

Pascal Rogé

Queen Elizabeth Hall

This was utterly disgraceful. Not, I hasten to add, Pascal Rogé's playing, but rather the appalling circumstances under which he was obliged to give this recital. Immediately outside the hall a rock band was performing, if you please, and, moreover, it could be heard quite distinctly inside.

Now, I have nothing against rock music, but there is a time and place for everything, and clearly this was neither. GLC, take note and be ashamed.

When Rogé's aristocratic playing demands detailed comment, it is unfortunate to have to devote space to such an issue. Unsurprisingly he was not left untouched by the noise, though in his opening selection of Bach Inventions he showed an impressive command of mood and touch, characterizing the two-part F major Invention, for example, with a teasing interplay of staccato and legato articulations, and colouring the chromaticisms of its F minor three-part counterpart with emotive subtlety.

Indeed, the chief casualties of the commotion seemed to be Brahms's Four Ballades, Op 10, which here lacked lyrical depth as well as that sense of unity for which Rogé's playing is widely renowned.

But the anger which he surely, and justifiably, felt was allowed to erupt dramatically in the first movement of Beethoven's Sonata, Op 111, and, if the elaborate Arietta of that work did not affect one quite as it can, that may well be the fault of one's own concentration, not his.

There could be no doubting the quality of Rogé's reading of Berg's Op 1 Sonata, however, in which there emerged a power and dynamic range hitherto absent. Above that, Rogé discovered a ripeness of expression in this post-Brahmsian piece that really made it sound like the searchingly lyrical work I have always suspected it to be.

Stephen Pettitt

Cantanti Camerati/ Bowyer

Wigmore Hall

Offering a programme based on the repertoire of the now defunct Oriana Madrigal Society, a trial-blazing organization which once numbered Boult and Beecham in its bass pews, inevitably guaranteed quintessential English entertainment. The triumphs of this Oriana actually included introducing Fauré's Requiem to England. Its usual orbit, however, was among the nymphs and swains of the English part-song landscape, and this was reflected in Cantanti Camerati's choice.

Nowadays 30 voices does seem too many for sixteenth-century madrigals; about 25 too many, some purists might say. Doubtless Sir Adrian or Sir Thomas would have scathingly disagreed. Nevertheless the timbre and attack of these Richmond-based amateurs did seem too woolly and generalized for a diaphanous quick-step like Weelkes's "On the plains, fairy trains", where diction and delicacy count for so much. Some typically doleful *Dowland suited* the choir's warm blend and secure intonation much more; better still were the full-throated refrains given to the *Triumphs of Oriana* madrigals which concluded the programme.

The conductor Geoffrey Bowyer, sometime accompanist for the Oriana, obtained some strong dynamic contrasts and vivid illustrative touches, which found their true vehicle in the sturdy part-writing of Stanford and Parry. The latter's challenging "At the round earth's imagined corners" was sustained with only the occasional uncertainty, and Stanford's celebrated "Bluebird" soared on the wings of some pleasing and well-controlled soprano tone.

Congenial solo contributions from Bowyer (on the piano), and the choir members Phillida Bannister and Warwick Harte, added another dimension to the celebrations. And amid this medley of Merrie English sounds it was good to have a little wild colonialism: Percy Grainger's hypnotic sea-shanty arrangement "Shallow Brown".

Richard Morrison

London débuts

Attention to detail

The American guitarist Andrew Schulman makes a speciality of early music, and his attention to details of ornamentation in a group of English pieces by Francis Cutting and Robert Johnson lent the music a fragile intricacy that encouraged carefully focused listening. Perhaps because of over-preoccupation with technique, the broad lines necessary to bring a piece such as Sylvius Weiss's *Fantasie* to life were not captured, and fluency in Bach's Fourth Lute Suite was interrupted by unwelcome rubatos in climaxes that acted against the cohesion of the music.

The guitar duo of Neil Anderson and David McLellan, founded in 1980, aims to champion much twentieth-century music, as well as broadening the existing repertoire with their own arrangements of familiar classical works. But Bach's Italian Concerto is only intermittently convincing in this medium, the gentle bustle of the finale working best (though certainly not *presto* here). It was to be John Duarte's Greek Suite that provided the main attraction after the interval, and the delicate lacework of the third movement and Eastern-inspired sideways vibrato of the fourth introduced an exotic taste of colour that was charming. A pity that in the outer movements of this piece they sounded as if they were sight-reading.

The Smithsonian String Quartet from America is led by Jaap Schroeder, who is one of the most experienced proponents of original instruments active today. Not that the ensemble approached quartets by Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven in an academic manner; in Mozart's K465, The "Dissonance", Schroeder put behind him a slightly static mood that had for me marred a Haydn work, and he relaxed into some more tonally and emotionally ingratiating playing. The gut strings, aside from embarrassing the cellist with a dramatic breakage, acted against any one instrument standing out (or playing out) from the others, the music having a uniformity of texture that also heightened structural cohesion. But in this low-profile handling the music has a tendency to patter along without one noticing very much in terms of detail. However, on account of Schroeder, the Smithsonian have an authority that is persuasive in forcing one to listen to this music anew.

James Methuen-Campbell

The American cellist Helen Kim's programme had about it a mark of thoughtfulness, and so, it proved, did her playing. In Richard Strauss's Cello Sonata, an early work containing plenty of youthful passion but one which is also strongly disciplined, she responded with a wide range of expression and deeply considered musicianship, though there was never any doubt of the spontaniety of the effect.

Her partner at the piano, Michael Dussek, brought all his experience to bear upon the piece too – it is, after all, as much a sonata for him as for her – and throughout the recital provided astute support.

Miss Kim's bowing arm was not always wholly reliable; there were unscripted squeaks, for example, in Bach's First Cello Suite and in Schumann's *Fantasiestücke*. Yet, when the interpretative insights are of a high order, such deficiencies count for little. And few cellists would show boldness enough to include Pizetti's lush *Tre canti* and Kodaly's Sonatina, nor gifts enough to play those works with Kim's maturity.

Stephen Pettitt

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Decision day for the Stock Exchange

Today the 4,460 members of the Stock Exchange have the right to turn up and cast their votes in two separate but intimately connected ballots over the future shape of the British and Irish stock markets. It is important to make the point that this is a national (and arguably international) issue, rather than something purely for London, for it is by such broad horizons that the verdict must be judged.

Sir Nicholas Goodison, the tireless chairman of the Stock Exchange, has recognized these wider frontiers in recent weeks by his exhaustive "roadshow", at which, we are told, he was heard with courtesy and a growing perception by the rank and file when he said that the Stock Exchange Council's proposals were in their interests.

The most fundamental of the two votes is to allow non-member organizations to acquire 100 per cent of the equity in member firms. The second relates to financial arrangements for non-members to acquire membership status, and hence for existing members to be compensated for admitting what is expected to be the hot breath of extensive and fierce competition.

A taste of the shape of things to come has, not entirely coincidentally, been given by the Bank of England's announcement that 31 firms have applied to become market makers in gilt-edged stock under the new rules, offering to commit up to £700 million in the process.

By no means all of that is new money: much of it is a redeployment of capital that already operates in the existing gilts market. But perhaps a quarter, or close to £200 million, if fresh. That represents both a challentge and an opportunity. Brokers will be faced with keener prices, and nearly half the applicants say they want to cater for smaller investors.

If the Stock Exchange membership were to throw out the first vote today, the gilts market would have to be conducted elsewhere, and the Exchange's own rules would make it hard for members to trade outside their own market. The high-volume equities, too, would be traded elsewhere, giving members' clients an additional layer of changes to cope with – always assuming they stayed loyal.

Happily, that vote requires only a simple 50.1 per cent majority. The lesser proposal, by a quirk, demands 75 per cent approval. There have been signs in the past few days that Sir Nichols is steeling himself for defeat there. That will be a nuisance, but not a resigning matter.

All the Council will be able to do is to come up with a more open-ended formula, however: as defenders of the maket mechanism, they cannot expect to charge more than the market price for the shares that are being conferred on the by a stroke of the pen.

Equality versus actuarial equity

The pensions industry greeted most of the proposals contained in yesterday's green paper with nods of approval, but not the clause stating that the new private pension agreements should give equal treatment to both men and women. Reaction among the life offices ranged from a restrained knitting of brows to the otright horror of an actuary spurned.

The proposal concerns the cost of annuities bought with a personal portable money-purchase policy when an employee retires. At present women pay more for the same size of annuity for the well established reason that, on average, they live longer than men and so receive their annuity for more years. The Government now seems determined, with a helping push from the EEC, to make annuities cost the same for both sexes.

This is presented in the green paper as a logical extension of another proposal: to give widowers as well as widows an entitlement to at least half their spouse's pension. It is, in fact, the opposite since this would further raise the actuarial cost of married women's pensions. And by going against what the pension offices insist are firmly based actuarial principles, the equal treatment of men and women could produce some strange effects in the market place.

The most likely effect will be to push up the cost of annuities for men. A pension office will not be able to predict how many of each sex will be buying its annuities and will be forced to play safe, covering itself through higher charges. Alternatively, companies may introduce some form of quota system, limiting the number of each sex to whom they will sell annuities. This way they would be able to predict their costs more accurately.

The proposals could even lead to specialization among life offices. At present, for example, manay companies have introduced discounts on life assurance policies for non-smokers. This has pushed up the cost of policies for smokers who are no longer being subsidized by non-smokers. The result is that smokers can often find cheaper policies with those companies selling annuities would specialize by only selling to men, thus keeping the cost for their client down. But that would only make it harder for women to buy annuities, which can surely not be the Government's intention.

Banking on a golden future

The possibility of a much-enlarged Kloof mine was first mooted two years ago. Now we are promised it will materialize. As with the formation of Driefontein Consolidated in 1981, Gold Fields of South Africa is making a long-term commitment despite a relatively low and stagnant dollar gold price, historically low yields on South African gold shares, and an increasingly unstable political environment in the republic.

The plans indicate that Kloof, a fairly young mine, will effectively double in size. For a total expenditure of R453 million (£178 million), the area to the south and west of the present mine will be developed eventually to supply a milling rate of 180,000 tonnes a month.

Reserves of 39 million tonnes have an average grade in situ of 10 grammes a tonne. They offer further evidence that South African gold production will be maintained to the end of the century.

The financial arrangements are characteristically involved. Kloof is a quoted company, 30 per cent owned by GFSA and hence 11 per cent by Consolidated Gold Fields. GFSA is the chief vendor of the Break Bank area rights in return for which it will receive 35,000 Kloof shares and R3.5 million towards exploration costs. GFSA will stump up R120 million by way of Kloof convertible debentures, which, if exercised, would give GFSA a further 9 per cent of Kloof.

Gold Fields must be hoping that the gold market will look healthier by 1990, when production is scheduled to begin. The high Rand gold price of around R20,000 a kilogramme is the result of the Rand's depreciation against the dollar, and that eases the burden of expansion in local terms.

But the brisk internal inflation partly caused by weak currency, rapidly rising black miners' wages and the new strength of black trade unions, threatens profit margins. And investors will not continue for ever to feel secure with yields that take little account of the country's political troubles. Nevertheless, South Africa and its gold mining industry have no choice, save to assume there is a future and to plan for it.

Bankers warned of economic 'war' as US growth slows

From Bailey Morris, Hong Kong

Western bankers and political officials were warned yesterday that a new "cold war" between the two economic superpowers of the United States and Japan poses the most serious threat to global stability.

Dr Mahathir Mohamad, the Prime Minister of Malaysia, said in a speech to the International Monetary Conference that the economic slowdown in the United States was sowing seeds of frustration and discontent which could soon erupt into a fullscale trade war. Bilateral quotas, subsidized financing on high projects, import surcharges, and other protectionist actions in the US are likely in the months ahead, Dr Mahathir said.

The atmosphere had soured because of a fundamental shift in economic power away from te West and towards the East where Japan was dominant in the Association of South East Asian Nations.

"Already we are arguably in the first phase of an economic cold war between these two very important economic colossi of the Pacific", Dr Mahathir said.

His warning was delivered on a day in which the West's leading bankers met to assess the impact of slowing US growth, and ways both to recycle Japan's huge trade surplus and to tap into the burgeoning Chinese market.

Sir Peter Walters, chairman of BP, attempted to scotch rumouirs that BP was no longer interested in exploring for oil off China's shore in the second round of bidding which began on Saturday.



Dr Mahathir: Atmosphere soured by power shift

Admitting that BP had been disappointed during the first stage of its oil exploration efforts, Sir Peter said it was none the less open to further activity

Overall, Sir Peter said east Asia would be the region emphasized by most oil companies to the end of the decade because primary energy demand was projected to rise faster there, with an average annual rate of growth of 5 per cent until 1990, than any where else.

Mr Joe Albritton, chairman of the Riggs National Bank of Washington, said this annual IMC conference of the biggest international banks marked the first time that these institutions had admnitted publicly that Asia was the new world engine of economic growth.

He agreed with the assessment of Dr Mahathir that the Pacific nations would continue to fuel global economic growth for the rest of this decade and possibly for the rest of the century.

The Times read by 53% more investors

There has been a remarkable surge of readership of *The Times* among people who own stocks and shares. During the half-year ended in March, 424,000 shareholders read *The Times*, an increase of 53 per cent over the previous six-month period, according to the latest independent National Readership Survey.

The attractions of the paper to shareholding readers come after changes and improvements in the Finance/Industry section and the introduction last summer of the Portfolio game, which was designed to draw attention to improved coverage of stock market prices and other financial statistics.

The rise coincided with a 25 per cent jump in the number of shareholders in the community, largely as a result of the flotation of the British Telecom issue. This was not, however, reflected in either the *Guardian* or the *Daily Telegraph* which recorded rises of just 1.2 per cent and 8.5 per cent of shareholding readers over the same period.

As a result of this switch, *The Times*, now offers advertisers the most cost-effective vehicle of any national daily or Sunday newspaper for contacting share owners.

The National Readership Survey studies the population's readership of some 200 newspapers and magazines under the auspices of JICNARS, a joint body for publishers, advertisers and their agents. It shows that *The Times*, traditionally cost-effective for reaching senior managers, professionals and administrators, (the advertiser's category A) now offers the lowest cost per thousand of any national daily newspaper for contacting categories AB and ABC1 as well, including respectively middle and junior management and professional people.

As a result of greater readership among young managers, *The Times* is particularly economical for contacting readers between 15 and 45 in these categories.

Among special categories, the survey finds that *The Times* is the cheapest advertising medium among national daily and Sunday newspapers for addressing readers with further education beyond the age of 19, affluent readers with an income of £11,690 or more per year (the highest category surveyed) and those who take holidays in North America.

Newsagents optimistic

The future for Britain's 30,000 newsagents was looking brighter thanks to the newspaper owners Mr Rupert Murdoch and Mr Robert Maxwell, said Mr Michael Patrick, president of the National Federation of Retail Newsagents, at the federation's annual conference in Scarborough yesterday.

Newsagents, Mr Patrick said, welcomed Mr Murdoch's 24-hour newspaper conception, the prospect of a new Sunday newspaper from Mr Clive Thornton, former chief executive of the Mirror Group, and greater use of colour and increased publication through Mr Maxwell.

Bank outlines gilts market structure

By William Kay, City Editor

The Bank of England yesterday announced what amounts to the running order for the restructured market in gilt-edged stocks which is due to take effect next year as part of the broad reform of the Stock Exchange.

A field which was privately estimated to be as large as 50 firms at one time has been whittled down to 31 "whose applications are under active consideration".

These 31 are now being allowed to look around at the intentions of their would-be rivals, so that they can decide whether to proceed. By June 17 they must confirm that they still wish to become market-makers, but it is undertood that the Governor of the Bank, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, is satisfied with the level and quality of candidates so far.

The 31 firms have provisionally indicated that they are willing to commit between £600 million and £700 million to the new market.

These sums can be multiplied by 30 to gauge the amount of stock that will be capable of being handled by the market on that basis. Last year the turnover of the gilts market was £270 billion, or just over £1 billion per working day.

No names of applicants are being released at this stage, but they are believed to include the leading discount houses, the four principal clearing banks, the existing gilts jobbers and several American securities houses.

Five firms have indicated they will commit up to £10 million; 12 between £10 million and £20 million; 10 between £20 million and £30 million, and four are offering more than £30 million. One firm has indicated a figure of £50 million.

The applicants have also said what size of deal they would be willing to quote for. Eight will deal in £5 million or more in conventional full-coupon short-dated stocks, and four in that amount of longs.

Nine will deal in between £2.5 million and £5 million of shorts, and eight in that amount of longs. Ten will deal in between £1 million and £2.5 million of shorts, and 11 in that amount of longs. Four firms will deal in up to £1 million of shorts, and eight in that amount of longs.

Most significant for the future of the stock market is that half the applicants have said that they are either considering or definitely want to have a presence on the Stock Exchange floor. This runs counter to speculation that the new gilts market would be traded mainly on the telephone or electronically.

Business chiefs condemn get-tough VAT stance

By Patience Wheatcroft

Pressure is growing for the Government to change its decision that VAT defaulters should be subject to instant penalties with no chance of pleading mitigation. Both the Confederation of British Industry and the Institute of Directors say that the proposed legislation is far too harsh, while many tax experts fear that similar automatic and invariable penalties might soon be applied to other forms of taxation.

The proposal that there should be automatic penalties for traders who fail to pay the right level of VAT at the right time were originally made in the Keith Report and are now incorporated in the Finance Bill.

Ten days ago, as the Bill went through its committee stage, the Minister of State, Mr Barney Hayhoe, angered his own backbenchers by withdrawing Clause 23, which gave the Commissioners for Customs and Excise power to mitigate the penalties for most cases of late or low VAT payments.

Mr John Wilkins, of the CBI's taxations department, said: "The penalties are very severe. With the power of mitigation it could have been made a tolerable regime but without, we think it will be extremely severe on taxpayers."

The automatic penalties, which can be as high as 30 per cent of unpaid tax, are aimed at discouraging the four traders in 10 who do not pay their VAT on time. The only way a defaulter would now be able to escape the penalty would be to satisfy a VAT tribunal that he had acted with due diligence and had a reasonable excuse.

Mr Hayhoe's critics say there will be many instances where "due diligence" cannot be proved, but where the full penalties are not deserved.

Opec price threat to N Sea oil revenue

By David Young
Energy Correspondent

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) yesterday threatened Britain's earnings from the North Sea by bringing forward its next ministerial meeting and giving a clear signal that world oil prices will fall.

Opec has moved its full ministerial meeting scheduled for July 22 to June 30 and put first on the agenda a debate on reducing the official price of oil.

The Saudi Oil Minister, Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, demanded that the meeting be brought forward and that price cuts should be discussed after a meeting in Taif, the mountain resort where the Saudi rulers are spending the present fasting month of Ramadan.

The June 30 meeting will, almost inevitably, cut the official Opec price so that Saudi Arabia can again become the dominant supplier among the 13-nation cartel.

Falling world oil demand and increasing output from the non-Opec oil producers – for a brief period last month Britain produced as much oil as Saudi Arabia – has cut the income of Opec countries.

The British North Sea oil price is set to fall later this week to around $26.45, a level below the present official Opec price for the same grade of oil, although most Opec countries have been offering heavy discounts.

The June 30 meeting will concentrate on restoring Opec's output at below 16 million barrels a day and on insisting that members respect their production quotas. The threat of Saudi Arabia using its massive reserves to upset North Sea, as well as Opec, prices will be used to bring producers into line.

Sheik Yamani yesterday gave a clear indication that before the June 30 meeting Opec will discuss world oil prices with producers such as Britain.

He said: "I will maintain bilaterial studies, contacts and discussions."

Meanwhile, Sir Peter Walters, chairman of BP said yesterday in Hong Kong: "Opec's influence and strength are only temporarily in abeyance. The Middle East still remains sumpreme, having over 50 per cent of the world's oil reserves."

The BP chairman said that as a result of the growth of the Far Eastern oil industry and the re-emergence of Opec as the dominent force in world oil he expected world oil prices to fall in the short-term

Murray Johnstone and Ivory & Sime, the Scottish fund management groups, are linking up with Yamaichi Investment Trust Management of Japan to provide Yamaichi with advice on investment outside Japan. Both groups see the tie-up as a way of improving their position in Japan where they foresee considerable opportunities for fund management companies with an international profile.

Share offers

Polly Peck's long-awaited plans to buy the outstanding shares in sister companies Cornell Holdings and Inter-City Investment Group, were released yesterday. Terms of the offers are 21 for 20 Cornell and one for five Inter-City. **Tempus, page 19**

D'Abo support

Mrs Jennifer d'Abo's bid for Selincourt, the fashion group, has won support from shareholders owning 26.45 per cent of the company and the offer has been extended until June 14.

Aetna Life and Casualty, the United States insurance group, is now unlikely to buy European Banking Company, the consortium bank in which Midland Bank has a stake. However, discussions are still believed to be continuing with Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank and other potential buyers.

News capital

Mr Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation is planning to double its authorized share capital to A$200 million (£102.5 million) through the creation of 199.98 million 50 cent ordinary shares and a 10,000 redeemable A$1 share issue.

French buy Orie

Oric Products International, the computer firm which was put into receivership four month ago with debts of more than £5 million, has been sold to a French company, Eureka Informatique, the receiver, Mr Denis Cross, of Chater and Myhill, has announced.

IN BRIEF

New-look unit trusts

Today *The Times* launches the first part of its revised and expanded service for unit trust and insurance bond prices. The Unit Trust Information Service has been allocated half a page to accommodate a considerably greater number of trusts in what we hope is a more readable format.

The price changes have been standardized, so that they record the daily change of the mid-price, halfway between bid and offer. These changes are being calculated independently by Exchange Telegraph, rather than by the unit trust managers themselves, and on Saturday we shall be quoting the change over the week.

Next Saturday, we shall begin an enhanced Weekly Insurance Bond Service, which will also cover a half-page in its own right.

Harrods boost

The rise in the number of tourists from the United States encouraged by the strength of the dollar has helped push trade at Harrods, the Knightsbridge store up by 30 per cent this year.

Doubled profits

Carlton Communications, the television services and production group, has increased interim pretax profits to £4.9 million for the six months to March 31, up from £2.4 million. Turnover rose to £16.5 million from £9.4 million. The interim dividend is increased to 1.95p from 1.46p. **Tempus, page 19**

Brazil and IMF set for debt clash

From Patrick Knight
Saõ Paulo

A gulf separates the new Brazilian government and the latest mission from the International Monetary Fund as debt negotiations start again.

The government is anxious to create millions of jobs through a massive programme of public works, particularly in the backward north-east, as well as ambitious agricultural reforms.

The last thing Brazil's new leaders want to contemplate is renewed recession. They say the IMF cannot ask for this.

But Mr Thomas Reichman, the head of the latest IMF mission, here to prepare Brazil's eighth letter of intent, says a short, sharp shock is needed. Mr Reichman wants Brazil's inflation rate of 225 per cent halved by the end of next year.

The new administration would like the repayment period of Brazil's $45 billion debt stretched to 16 years and the banks to be obliged to share the risk, should trade be hit by events beyond Brazil's control.

The whole IMF philosophy is being questioned by some sectors of the government, which see Brazil as being on a treadmill from which there is no escape under the present formula.

Pound goes above $1.30

The pound rose above $1.30 for the first time for nine months yesterday, raising hopes that satisfactory money supply figures today will leave room for a small cut in base rates.

Money market interest rates fell, with the three-month interbank rate down 1/16 to 12⅜ to 12¼ per cent.

The pound traded at $1.3005 before profit-taking brought it back to a close of $1.2917, a gain of 52 points on the day. Later in New York, the pound was quoted at $1.2910.

The sterling index rose 0.2 to 80.5, its best since May 21, last year as the pound was firm both against a weak dollar and, supported by high interest rates in Britain, against other currencies.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

FT Ind Ord	1,010.7 (+8.2)
FT All Share	N/A
FT Govt Securities	81.92 (+0.56)
FT-SE 100	1,324.6 (+11.6)
Bargains	23,216
Datastream USM	109.23 (–0.07)
New York	
Dow Jones	1,312.16 (–3.25)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12,473.41 (–216.06)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1,641.25 (+25.38)
Amsterdam:	212.1 (+0.7)
Sydney: AO	873.5 (–1.0)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1,355.0 (+9.3)
Brussels:	
General	373.84 (+9.06)
Paris: CAC	232.5 (–0.6)
Zurich:	
SKA General	359.80 (+1.90)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $316.85-pm $318.10
close $315.75-$316.25 (£244-244.50)
New York: $315.65
Comex (latest)

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Intervision Vid	8½ +2
Liberty	625 +75
Oceonics Grp	80 +10
Body Shop Int	838 +93
Holiss Grp	29 +3
Applied Botanics	2½ +¼
Keep Trust	81 +8
Empire Stores	128 +12
Yelvertoi Invest	35 +3
A. G. Stanley	71 +6
FKI Electricals	49 +4
Palma Grp	39 +3
Stewart Nairn	14 +1
Owen Owen	285 +20
Cooper Ind	18¾ +1¼
Mount Charlotte Invest	94 +6
Lowe Howard-Spink	281 +20

FALLS:

Common Brothers	48 –10
Rotaprint	5½ –1
Spectrum Grp	30 –5
Bio-Isolates	27 –4
Quest Automation	30 –3
Acord Computers	12 –1
Grasnall Waltley "A"	40 –3
Comb Tech Corp	14½ –3

CURRENCIES

London:
£: $1.2917 (+0.0052)
£: DM 3.9480 (+0.0130)
£: SwFr 3.3150 (+0.0040)
£: FFr 12.0150 (+0.0150)
£: Yen 321.20 (–2.15)
£ Index: 80.5 (+0.2)

New York:
£: $1.2910
$: DM 3.0390
$ Index: 144.7

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 12½-12½%
3-month Interbank 12⅜-12⅛%
3-month eligible bills 11 15/16-11 11/16%
buying rate

US:
Prime Rate 10.00%
Federal Funds 7 11/16%
3-month Treasury Bills 7.02-7.98% (0.00%)
Long bond 107 15/16-107 17/32%; yield

15% gain at Anglo American

By Michael Prest
Financial Correspondent

Anglo American Corporation, the South African mining and industrial group, yesterday reported a 15 per cent increase in pretax profits to R897 million (£352 million). The final dividend has been raised by 15 cents to 100 cents, giving a full-year total of 135 cents, against 120 cents.

But the spread of income throughout the many parts of the Anglo empire indicates that the corporation's mining interests benefited chiefly from the weakness of the Rand, which converted export earnings into record profits.

So income from investments, which in Anglo parlance means the key associated companies such as Samancor, Rustenburg, Minorco, Amgold and the separate gold mines, rose from R511 million to R545 million. At the same time, trading profits from full subsidiaries such as Amcoal grew by R67 million to R319 million.

Amcar (previously Sigma), however, lost money and there was an extraordinary debit of R63.3 million, representing the share of the loss incurred by Minorco from Charter Consolidated's problems with Cape Industries and Johnson Matthey and Engelhard's losses from its closure of metal refineries.

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WALL STREET

	May 31	May 30
AMF Inc	18¾	19¼
AMR	47⅝	45⅞
Allied Corp	41⅝	41¼
Allied Stores	58⅝	57⅝
Allis Chalmers	6⅛	6⅜
Alcoa	32¼	32½
Amax Inc	16⅞	16¼
Amerada Hess	28⅝	28⅜
Am Brands	66⅜	65½
Am Broadcast	111	111⅝
Am Can	57⅝	57¼
Am Cyanamid	55	55¾
Am Elec Power	22⅞	22⅝
Am Express	46	45¼
Am Home	64⅞	64⅞
Am Motors	2⅞	2⅞
Am Nat Res	64⅞	64⅝
Am Standard	32	30⅝
Am Telephone	23⅝	22⅞
Amoco	62⅝	62
Armco Steel	8	7⅝
Asarco	23⅞	24⅝
Ashland Oil	30⅝	29⅝
Atlntic Richfield	60⅞	60⅞
Avon Products	18⅞	18⅞
Bankers Tst NY	70⅝	70⅝
Bankamerica	21⅝	21⅝
Bank of Boston	47⅝	46
Bank of NY	43⅝	42⅝
Beatrice Foods	31⅞	32
Bethlehem Steel	16⅛	16½
Boeing	66⅞	64
Boise Cascade	44⅞	44¼
Borden	76	73¾
Borg Warner	22⅝	21⅝
Bristol Myers	61	60⅞
BP	27⅞	27¼
Burlington Ind	26⅞	26⅝
Burlington Nthn	55⅞	56⅝
Burroughs	61⅝	61½
Campbell Soup	76⅝	72⅞
Canadian Pacific	45⅝	45⅝
Caterpillar	34⅝	34⅞
Celanese	103½	103
Central Soya	24⅝	24⅝
Champion	23⅞	23⅝
Chase Manhat	58⅝	58½
Chem Bank NY	41⅝	40⅝
Chevron	35⅞	35⅞
Chrysler	35⅝	36⅝
Citicorp	47⅝	46⅝
Clark Equip	29⅛	29⅛
Coca Cola	67⅞	66⅝
Colgate	25⅝	25
CBS	117⅞	115½
Columbia Gas	31	30⅞
Combustion Eng	32⅝	32⅝
Comwlth Edison	30	29⅝
Cons Edison	35⅞	34⅝
Cons Power	6⅞	6⅝
Control Data	31⅛	30⅝
Corning Glass	40⅞	39⅝
CPC Intl	43⅞	43⅛
Crane	36	37⅝
Crocker Int	27¼	27¼
Crown Zeller	41⅛	40⅞
Dart & Kraft	105⅞	103⅝
Deere	29⅞	29⅛
Delta Air	48	48⅝
Detroit Edison	18⅝	18⅞
Digital Equip	104⅝	102
Disney	87	89⅝
Dow Chemical	34	33⅞
Dresser Ind	20⅞	20⅝
Duke Power	33¼	32⅞
Du Pont	60⅝	59⅞
Eastern Air	9¼	9
Eastman Kodak	44⅞	44⅞
Eaton Corp	55	54
Emerson Elect	71	70
Evans Prod	2⅛	12

	May 31	May 30
Exxon Corp	54⅛	53⅝
Fed Dept Stores	65½	63⅝
Firestone	21⅞	21⅞
Fst Chicago	24⅝	24⅝
Fst Intrst Bncp.	51	51½
Fst Penn Corp	6⅞	6⅞
Ford	43⅞	43⅝
GAF Corp	33	32⅝
GTE Corp	42⅞	42⅜
Gen Corp	45⅝	45⅝
Gen Dynamics	71¾	71⅞
Gen Electric	60⅝	60⅞
Gen Foods	69½	69
Gen Mills	60	58⅞
Gen Motors	71⅝	71⅞
Gen Pub Util NY	14	13⅞
Genesco	4⅞	4⅞
Georgia Pacific	22⅝	22½
Gillette	59⅝	59⅝
Goodrich	33¼	33⅝
Goodyear	29⅝	29⅝
Gould Inc	22½	22½
Grace	42⅝	41⅞
Gt Atlic & Pacific	17	16⅝
Greyhound	29¼	29⅝
Grumman Corp	28⅝	27⅝
Gulf & West	38¼	37
Heinz H.J.	55	56⅝
Hercules	35⅝	35⅝
Honeywell	60⅞	60⅝
IC Inds	34	33⅝
Ingersoll	48⅞	48⅞
Inland Steel	24⅝	24⅝
IBM	128⅝	128
Int Harvester	8⅞	8⅝
INCO	14⅛	13⅞
Int Paper	50⅞	51
Int Tel Tel	32⅞	32⅛
Irving Bank	37⅝	38
Jim Walter	37⅝	37¼
Johnson & John	46	45⅝
Kaiser Alumin	13½	13½
Kerr McGee	31⅛	31⅝
Kimberly Clark	57⅝	57⅝
K Mart	38⅝	39
Kroger	43⅝	43⅝
L.T.V. Corp	8	8
Litton	85	84⅛
Lockheed	51⅝	51⅞
Lucky Stores	21⅛	21
Manuf Hanover	38⅝	38½
Manville Cp	5⅞	5⅛
Mapco	34⅝	34½
Marine Midland	37⅝	37⅝
Martin Marietta	57⅞	57⅝
McDonnell	77⅝	76⅞
Mead	41⅝	41
Merck	108⅝	107⅞
Minnesota Mng	75	75⅝
Mobil Oil	31⅛	30⅝
Monsanto	47	46⅝
Morgan J. P.	50⅝	50⅛
Motorola	32⅝	32½
NCR Corp	29	29⅝
NL Industries	11½	11⅞
Nabisco	82⅝	79⅝
Nat Distillers	31⅞	31⅛
Nat Med Ent	28⅝	28⅞
Norfolk South	68⅝	67⅝
NW Bancorp	25⅞	25⅞
Occidental Pet	31⅛	30⅝
Ogden	29⅛	29⅛
Olin Corp	32½	33
Owens-Illinois	48	48
Pacific Gas Elec	19⅝	19⅝
Pan Am	6⅝	6⅝
Penney J.C.	51⅝	51½
Pennzoil	51	50⅞
Pepsico	56¼	57
Pfizer	50	49
Phelps Dodge	20⅝	21⅛

	May 31	May 30
Philip Morris	85⅞	85⅞
Phillips Petrol	38⅞	38½
Polaroid	30	29⅞
PPG Ind	39⅛	39
Proctor Gamble	53⅞	3⅞
Pub Ser El & Gas	31¼	31½
Raytheon	47⅝	47¼
RCA Corp	42⅞	2⅞
Reynolds Ind	74⅝	73½
Reynolds Metal	33⅞	33½
Rockwell Int	37⅝	36⅝
Royal Dutch	57½	56⅞
Safeways	32	31⅞
Sara Lee	40⅝	41
SFE Sopac	29⅝	28⅞
SCM	48⅝	47⅝
Schlumberger	38	38⅛
Scott Paper	38⅝	37¾
Seagram	42⅝	41¾
Sears Roebuck	36⅝	36⅝
Shell Oil	59⅞	59⅝
Shell Trans	36⅝	35½
Signal Co	41⅝	40⅞
Singer	36⅛	36⅞
Smithkline Beck	68	68⅝
Sony	18⅝	18⅝
Sth Cal Edison	25⅝	26⅝
Sperry Corp	51⅞	52⅝
Std Oil Ohio	47⅝	46⅝
Sterling Drug	33½	32⅝
Stevens J.P.	18½	18⅛
Sun Comp	50⅝	49⅝
Teledyne	257¼	256⅝
Tenneco	41	41⅝
Texaco	36⅝	36⅞
Texas East Corp	35⅝	35½
Texas Inst	88⅝	87⅝
Texas Utilities	27⅞	27⅝
Textron	51½	51
TWA	18⅝	37¼
Travelers Corp	47⅝	47½
TRW Inc	71¼	71⅝
UAL Inc	53⅝	49⅞
Union Carbide	40¼	39½
Unocal		33⅞
Un Pacific Corp	50⅝	49⅝
Uniroyal	20¼	20½
United Brands	18⅞	18⅞
US Steel	28⅝	28⅝
Utd Technol	43⅝	42⅛
Wachovia	37	36⅝
Warner Lambert	41¼	41½
Wells Fargo	59½	59⅝
Westinghse Elec	34½	34⅛
Weyerhauser	28⅞	28⅝
Whirlpool	45⅝	45
Woolworth	46⅞	46½
Xerox Corp	50	49½
Zenith	22⅞	22⅝
CANADIAN PRICES		
Abitibi	20	18½
Alcan Alumin	33⅞	34½
Algoma Steel	22⅛	22
Bell Telephone	43⅛	43½
Can Pacific	20⅝	20⅞
Cominco	14⅛	13⅞
Cons Bathurst	18¼	18½
Gulf Oil	18⅝	18½
Hawker/Sid Can	19½	19⅝
Hudson Bay Min	7⅝	7⅝
Imasco	26⅞	27⅝
Imperial Oil	53½	52⅝
Int Pipe	40⅞	40⅞
Mass.-Fergsn	2.88	2.85
Royal Trustco	20½	20⅞
Seagram	58⅝	57⅝
Steel Co	19⅝	18⅝
Thomson N 'A'	21½	21½
Walker Hiram	30⅝	31
WCT	17½	17⅝

● Ex div. a Asked. e Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Dow pushes to 1,320

New York (Agencies) – Shares pushed higher in early trading yesterday, improving on Friday's close that saw market averages hit record peaks.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up more than 5 points to 1320, moving above the record closing level of 1315.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange amounted to about 13.79 million shares with advances leading declines by two-to-one.

The higher share prices reflected the strong opening in the bond market. The price of the Treasury's bellwether long bond shot up more than 2½ points before backing off

There was widespread speculation that the Federal Reserve might soon cut the 7.5 per cent discount rate and that banks may lower the 10 per cent prime rate.

Expectations that North Sea oil prices would fall this week helped to temper concern that inflationary fears could keep the Fed from adopting a more accommodating monetary stance.

News that a survey of purchasing managers found production down sharply and new orders softening in April also boosted the hopes of those who expect interest rates to continue to fall as the Fed attempts to revive a sluggish economy.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Jun 85	87.60	87.72	87.60	87.71	268
Sep 85	88.57	88.66	88.50	88.59	23014
Dec 85	88.92	88.95	88.88	88.91	188
Mar 86	88.92	88.98	88.92	89.01	10
Jun 86	Nt			89.06	0
Previous day's total open interest 7755					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Jun 85	92.30	92.40	92.30	92.39	1125
Sep 85	91.73	91.97	91.72	91.93	4946
Dec 85	91.29	91.50	91.29	91.47	771
Mar 86	90.94	91.11	90.94	91.09	219
Jun 86	90.65	90.72	90.65	90.76	17
Previous day's total open interest 19558					
US Treasury Bond					
Jun 85	77-19	79-05	77-19	78-26	160
Sep 85	76-18	78-08	76-18	77-27	1523
Previous day's total open interest 1316					
Long Gilt					
Jun 85	106-23	107-09	106-23	106-30	2604
Sep 85	110-18	110-31	110-15	110-25	609
Dec 85	Nt			110-31	0
Mar 86	Nt			110-19	0
Previous day's total open interest 3099					
FT-SE 100					
Jun 85	132.00	132.70	131.90	132.25	173
Sep 85	132.70	132.90	132.70	132.90	3
Dec 85	Nt			133.50	0
Previous day's total open interest 1627					

COMMODITIES

Markets were again dominated by the strength of sterling and other currencies – notably the mark – against the dollar. Three months copper fell below the £1,130 level yesterday, at which support had previously seemed to be available and lead, nickel, and aluminium all faltered. Zinc was uncertain despite last week's producer cuts.

Metals were further undermined by signs that manufacturers' demand had tailed-off. Copper is in contango again, as are lead, aluminium and zinc. Only nickel *still* commands a slight backwardation. LME stocks have continued to rise, indicating that the recent near-term tightness in most metals is easing.

Softs were dominated by currencies as well, but gasoil fell

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
Rubber in £'s per tonne; Coffee and cocoa in pounds per metric ton; Gas-oil and sugar in $ per metric tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

RUBBER	
Jly	690 seller
Aug	690 seller
Sep	690 seller
Oct	710 seller
Nov	710 seller
Dec	710 seller
Jan	unquoted
Feb	unquoted
July-Sept	690 seller
Oct-Dec	710 seller
Jan-March	unquoted
Vol	nil
SUGAR	
Aug	95.4-95.0
Oct	99.0-98.6
Dec	105.6-104.8
Mch	117.2-117.0
May	121.2-121.0
Aug	128.2-127.0
Oct	133.2-131.0
Vol	1,596
COCOA	
Jly	1728-27
Sep	1721-20
Dec	1710-06
Mch	1725-23
May	1743-42
Jly	1753-52
Sep	1762-61
Vol	2,391
COFFEE	
Jly	2023-20
Sep	2070-69
Nov	2114-12
Jan	2152-50
Mch	2145-30
May	2140-10
Jly	2140-00
Vol	1,103
GAS OIL	
Jun	217.50-25
Jly	2125-1500
Aug	21725-1700
Sep	21950-1875
Oct	22100-20.00
Nov	224.00-22.00
Dec	226.00-24.00
Jan	230.00-23.00
Feb	233.00-20.00
Vol	791

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices: Official turnover figures
Prices in pounds per metric ton; Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE	
Cash	1112.0-1113.0
Three months	1121.0-1122.0
T/O	8,775
Tone	Barely steady
STANDARD CATHODES	
Cash	1103.0-1104.0
Three months	1107.0-1109.0
T/O	Nil
Tone	Idle
TIN STANDARD	
Cash	9450-9460
Three months	9410-9415
T/O	320
Tone	Steady
TIN HIGH-GRADE	
Cash	9450-9460
Three months	9410-9415
T/O	25
Tone	Quiet
LEAD	
Cash	293.0-294.0
Three months	297.50-298.0
T/O	500
Tone	Quiet
ZINC STANDARD	
Cash	593.0-595.0
Three months	605.50-606
T/O	2,900
Tone	Irregular
ZINC HIGH GRADE	
Cash	642.0-647.0
Three months	640-643
T/O	125
Tone	Quiet
SILVER LARGE	
Cash	471.0-472.0
Three months	486.0-487.0
T/O	13
Tone	Quiet
SILVER SMALL	
Cash	471.0-472.0
Three months	486.0-487.0
T/O	Nil
Tone	Idle
ALUMINIUM	
Cash	825-826
Three months	846.50-847.00
T/O	5,725
Tone	Steadier
NICKEL	
Cash	4360-4365
Three months	4302-4305
Tone	Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on June 3

GB: Cattle, 99.92p per kg lw (-0.41).
GB: Sheep, 159.88p per kg est d c w (+10.78).
GB: Pigs, 78.98p per kg lw (-2.90).

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 58.0 per cent, ave. price, 100.09p (+0.42).
Sheep nos. up 78.9 per cent, ave. price, 159.64p (+11.11).
Pig nos. up 61.8 per cent, ave. price, 78.91p (-2.90).

Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 6.3 per cent, ave. price, 98.98p (-0.77).
Sheep nos. up 23.2 per cent, ave. price, 200.31p (+6.64).
Pig nos. up 10.8 per cent, ave. price, 85.67p (-1.02).

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per Tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Jul	£116.95	–
Sep	£98.10	£97.80
Nov	£101.60	£101.45
Jan	£105.30	£104.90
Mar	£108.55	£107.95
May	£112.15	£111.20

Volume: Wheat 197, Barley 13

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Jun	102.5	103.5
Jul		unquoted
		98.5
Aug	96.0	97.0
Sep	98.5	98.5
Oct	99.0	100.5
Nov	100.6	100.5
Jan	95.5	95.0
Feb	95.5	95.5
Mar	95.5	95.5
Apr	94.5	95.0
May	93.0	94.0

Total lots traded: 0 PIG MEAT
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Jun	107.3	107.5
Aug	100.5	100.5
Oct	105.7	105.8
Nov	105.8	105.8
Feb	98.7	98.9
Apr	98.8	99.0
		Total 19

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	85.00	84.50
Feb	73.50	73.30
Apr	85.50	85.00
May	91.00	91.40
Nov	suspn	suspn
		Vol.113

BALTIC FREIGHT INDEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report
$10 per index point

	High/Low	Close
Jul 85	887.0-882.0	884.0
Oct 85	922.0-918.0	917.0
Jan 86	910.0-910.0	910.5
Apr 86	1000.0-1000.0	1,000.0
Jul 86	—	922.5
Oct 86	—	982.5
Jan 87	—	995.0
Apr 87	—	1,065.0

Spot: 931.0
Vol.: 84

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The possibility of lower US interest rates enabled *sterling to* register a nine-month high against the dollar yesterday.

With the dollar in broad retreat, the pound climbed to 1.3005 at one point, the first time it has been above $1.30 since last September.

Dealers said there were a number of large corporate orders to sell sterling at $1.30 and this, combined with a little profit-taking, brought the rate back to $1.2917 at the finish for a net rise of 52 points.

High British rates kept the pound in demand on the Continent. The mark, for example, cheapened from DM3.9335 to DM3.9462. The dollar fell from 3.0550 to 3.0450 against the mark, from 2.5750 to 2.5620 against the Swiss franc, and from 9.3300 to 9.2900 against the French franc.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range June 3	Market rates close June 3	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.2910-1.3005	$1.2910-1.2925	0.54-0.51c prem	1.50-1.45c prem
Montreal	$1.7622	$1.7822-1.7868	0.46-0.37c prem	1.29-1.15c prem
Amsterdam	4.4325-4.4527fl	4.4410-4.4527fl	2⅛-1⅞c prem	6⅛-5⅞c prem
Brussels	79.21-79.58f	79.36-79.58f	27-32c disc	73-74c disc
Copenhagen	14.1220-14.1949k	14.1655-14.1949k	4¼-3⅝ore prem	11⅝-10⅝ore prem
Dublin	1.2583-1.2626p	1.2594-1.2610p	18p prem-par	37 prem-7p disc
Frankfurt	3.9321-3.9505m	3.9421-3.9504m	2⅝-2⅛pf prem	6⅝-6⅛pf prem
Lisbon	223.34-226.27e	223.34-227.48e	100-430c disc	315-1220c disc
Madrid	223.19-223.91p	223.34-223.48p	15-45p disc	75-130p disc
Milan	2511.32-2524.61lr	2515.58-2522.56lr	1-3lr disc	4-7lr disc
Oslo	11.3118-11.3706k	11.3318-11.3706k	⅛-1ore disc	⅞-1⅞ore disc
Paris	11.9934-12.0366f	11.9934-12.0332f	2⅝-2c prem	6⅞-5⅞c prem
Stockholm	11.3960-11.4426k	11.4026-11.4419k	3⅝-4⅝ore prem	10⅞-11⅝ore prem
Tokyo	320.94-324.77y	320.94-321.57y	1⅝-1⅛y prem	4⅞-4⅝y prem
Vienna	27.63-27.74sch	27.65-27.71sch	14⅝-13⅝gro prem	41⅝-37⅝gro prem
Zurich	3.3100-3.2290f	3.3101-3.3204f	2⅝-1⅞c prem	6⅞-5⅞c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.2 at 80.5 (day's range 80.5-80.8).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina peso*	775.78-777.78
Australia dollar	1.9458-1.9504
Bahrain dinar	0.4880-0.4920
Brazil cruzeiro*	7089.20-7106.00
Cyprus pound	0.7930-0.8030
Finland markka	8.1700-8.2100
Greece drachma	173.20-175.20
Hong Kong dollar	10.0820-10.0564
India rupee	15.85-16.15
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.3910-0.3950
Malaysia dollar	3.1782-3.1842
Mexico peso	345-360
New Zealand dollar	2.8596-2.8683
Saudi Arabia riyal	4.6735-4.7135
Singapore dollar	2.8552-2.8639
South Africa rand	2.5725-2.5797
United Arab Emirates dirham	4.7540-4.7940

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.0290-1.0310
Singapore	2.2085-2.2115
Malaysia	2.4550-2.4580
Australia	0.6640-0.6650
Canada	1.3655-1.3665
Sweden	8.8300-8.8400
Norway	8.7700-8.7800
Denmark	10.96-10.97
West Germany	3.0400-3.0420
Switzerland	2.5570-2.5600
Netherlands	3.4280-3.4310
France	9.2750-9.2850
Japan	248.65-248.75
Italy	1942-1945
Belgium(Comm)	61.30-61.35
Hong Kong	7.7700-7.7720
Portugal	172-177
Spain	173.50-173.80
Austria	21.40-1.45

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

The market is awaiting with more-than-usual interest the British money supply figures, due today, as *they* could be followed by another cut in bank base rates.

With the pound nudging the 1.30 level against the dollar and another cut in the US Federal discount rate on the cards, the stage is set for a cut in British base rates.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 12⅝-12½
Finance House 13

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 12⅝ Low 12
Week fixed: 12⅝-12½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	12⅛	2 months	11²⁷⁄₃₂
3 months	11¹⁵⁄₁₆	3 months	11¹¹⁄₁₆

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 month 12⁷⁄₃₂-12⅛ 2 months 11³¹⁄₃₂-11²⁷⁄₃₂
3 months 11¹⁵⁄₁₆-11¹³⁄₁₆ 6 months 11⁷⁄₁₆-11⁵⁄₁₆

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 month 12²⁷⁄₃₂ 2 months 12¹⁵⁄₁₆
3 months 12⁷⁄₁₆ 6 months 12¹⁄₁₆

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 12¹³⁄₁₆-12⁹⁄₁₆ close 12
1 week 12¹³⁄₁₆-12¹¹⁄₁₆ 6 months 12¹⁄₁₆-12
1 month 12¹¹⁄₁₆-12⁹⁄₁₆ 9 months 12-11⅞
3 months 12⅝-12⅛ 12 months 11¹⁵⁄₁₆-11¹³⁄₁₆

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 12⅝ 7 days 12⅝
1 month 12⁹⁄₁₆ 3 months 12⁵⁄₁₆
6 months 12¹⁄₁₆ 12 months 11⅞

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 month 13⅛-12⅞ 2 months 13⅛-12⅝
3 months 13-12⅝ 6 months 12⅝-12⅝
9 months 12⅛-12⅛ 12 months 12⅛-12

Sterling CDs (%)
1 month 12⅝-12½ 3 months 12⁷⁄₁₆-12⁵⁄₁₆
6 months 11⅝-11¼ 12 months 11⅝-11⅝

Dollar CDs (%)
1 month 7.45-7.35 3 months 7.35-7.45
6 months 7.70-7.60 12 months 8.25-8.15

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	7⅞-6⅞
7 days	7⁹⁄₁₆-7⁷⁄₁₆	1 month	7⅝-7⁷⁄₁₆
3 months	7⅝-7½	6 months	7¹³⁄₁₆-7¹¹⁄₁₆
Deutschmark		call	5⅞-4⅞
7 days	5⅝-5½	1 month	5⅝-5½
3 months	5⅝-5½	6 months	5⅝-5½
French Franc		call	10⅛-9⅞
7 days	10⅛-10⅛	1 month	10⅛-10⅛
3 months	10⅞-10⅝	6 months	10⅞-10⅝
Swiss Franc		call	2⅞-1⅞
7 days	2⅞-2½	1 month	5⅛-5¹⁄₁₆
3 months	5⅛-5¹⁄₁₆	6 months	5⅛-5⅛
Yen		call	6⅛-5⅞
7 days	6⁷⁄₁₆-6⁵⁄₁₆	1 month	6⅝-6⅞
3 months	6⅝-6⅞	6 months	6⅝-6⅞

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin): $325-326.50 (£251-252.50)
Sovereigns* (new): $74.50-76 (£57.50-58.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period 3 April, 1985, to 7 May, 1985, inclusive: 12.787 per cent.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
193	162	Aberdeen	182 ●	..	9.4b	5.1	..
101	87½	Alisa	95½	+½	2.0b	2.1	..
688	580	Alliance	650	..	24.8	3.8	..
155	118	Amer Trust	132	..	4.1	3.1	..
302	284	Ang Amer Sec	286	-2	9.1	3.1	..
145	129	Ashdown	134	..	3.9	2.9	..
120	86	Atlantic Assets	107	+1	0.7	0.7	..
102	83	Bankers	93	..	3.5b	3.8	..
194	157	Berry	177	..	1.4b	0.8	..
176	152	Border & Sthrn	159 ●	..	4.7	3.0	..
111½	100	Br Amer Gen	111½	..	3.7	3.3	..
215	192	Br Assets	200 ●	..	9.5b	5.0	..
29½	25	Br Empire Sec	28	..	1.3	4.6	..
373	325	British Inv	343 ●	-2	20.3	5.9	..
75	54	Brunner	71	..	2.9	4.0	..
89	72	Charter Agency	83	..	3.1b	3.7	..
683	525	Continental	628	..	25.7b	4.1	..
178	139	Crescent Japan	140	-3	1.1	0.8	..
485	365	Delta	395	..	..	..	..
109	97	Derby Inc	104	..	10.2	9.8	..
103	95	Do Cap	102	..	..	..	..
295	264	Drayton Cons	287	+2	13.4	4.7	..
148	124	Drayton Far East	124	-2	1.6	1.3	..
420	348	Drayton Japan	354	-5	3.6	1.0	..
412	363	Drayton Premier	402	-2	18.2	4.5	..
183	162	Dundee Lon	175	..	6.7	3.8	..
118	89	Edin Amer Asset	105	..	0.6	0.6	..
117	103	Edinburgh	113 ●	+½	4.1	3.6	..
292	254	Electric Gen	271	+1	4.8b	1.8	..
254	228	English Inc	250	..	10.0	4.0	..
78	66	English Scot	69	..	1.8	2.6	..
108½	91	English NY	104	..	3.6	3.4	..
97	85	F & C Alliance	89	+1	2.4	2.7	..
166	139	F&C Pacific	138	-4	5.4	3.9	..
227	189	Family	227	..	9.9	4.3	..
273	242	First Scot Amer	264	+1	12.9b	4.9	..
190	150	First Un Gen	180 ●	..	8.7b	4.9	..
590	440	Fleming American	472	+2	7.5	1.6	..
288	225	Fleming Claver	265	..	12.4	4.7	..
265	233	Fleming Enterprise	264	..	11.1	4.2	..
328	280	Fleming Far East	282 ●	-4	4.3	1.5	..
113	100	Fleming Fledgling	113	..	3.6	3.2	..
560	461	Fleming Japan	461 ●	-6	4.3	0.9	..
119½	106	Fleming Mercantile	115½	..	4.3b	3.8	..
134	106	Fleming Overseas	108	-1	3.3b	3.1	..
153	137	Fleming Tech	137	..	3.1	2.3	..
334	278	Fleming Universal	288 ●	-2	11.4	4.0	..
74	63½	For Col	65½	..	1.8	2.8	..
121	92	GBC Capital	98 ●	..	..	..	..
185	145	GT Japan	145	-2	2.0b	1.4	..
568	97	General Funds	117	-1	..	..	..
261	230	General Cons	249	..	13.1	5.3	..
125	106	Glasgow Stock	114	..	2.9	2.6	..
278	251	Globe	273	+2	12.9	4.7	..
244	202	Greenfriar	244	..	2.3	0.9	..
275	230	Gresham House	230	..	5.7	2.5	..
164	138	Hambros	158	..	6.0	3.8	..
257	228	Hill (P)	251	..	13.8	5.5	..
540	488	Invest-in Success	508	..	7.8	1.5	..
236	212	Inv Cap	225	..	5.2b	2.3	..
62	50½	Japan Assets	50½	-1	0.1	0.1	..
323	272	Lake View	279 ●	-4	6.6	2.4	..
191	165	Law Debenture	173	..	7.9	4.5	..
88	66	Lon Merchant Sec	81	..	2.8	3.4	..
107	92	Lon Trust	94	..	3.9	4.2	..
98	85	Merchants	94	+1	5.4b	5.7	..
174	147	Monks	151	-1	3.4	2.3	..
118	105	Murray Income	115	..	6.4a	5.5	..
98	85	Murray Growth	95½	+½	2.0a	2.1	..
134	112	Murray Intl	119 ●	-2	6.4	5.4	..
189	163	Murray Small	170	+1	3.3	1.9	..
292	270	Murray Venture	287	..	6.3b	2.2	..
393	358	New Court	360	..	20.4	5.7	..
77	67	New Darien Oil	72	..	0.5	0.7	..
178	160	1928	169	..	6.7	3.9	..
39½	37	Nthrop Inc 83	38½	..	3.3	8.1	..
243	179	New Tokyo	180	-4	2.1	1.2	..
324	274	Nth Atlantic Sec	278 ●	..	4.5	1.7	..
123	104	Nth Sea Assets	112 ●	..	0.7	0.6	..
263	238	Nthn Amer	243 ●	-1½	7.7b	3.2	..
139	128	Outwich	132 ●	+1	4.3	3.3	..
45	32	Personal Assets	41 ●	+1	0.3	0.7	..
340	305	Raeburn	316	..	13.6	4.3	..
137	125	River & Merc	127	..	7.1	5.6	..
235	198	River Plate	219	..	10.3	4.7	..
192	168	Robeco	169	-3	..	..	..
171	150	Rolinco	152	-2	..	..	..
257	233	Romney	242	..	6.6	2.7	..
11½	10	Rorento	210½	..	..	..	..
113	96	St Andrews	101	..	3.7	3.6	..
273	241	Scottish	262 ●	..	7.8	3.0	..
245	211	Scot American	244	+2	8.0	3.3	..
83½	73	Scot Eastern	77½	-½	2.7	3.5	..
408	358	Scot Mtge	383 ●	-1	10.7b	2.8	..
243	212	Scot Nat	222 ●	+½	6.4b	2.9	..
136	119	Scot Nthn	133 ●	..	5.4	4.0	..
380	365	Scot Merc 'A'	380	+2	13.1	3.5	..
596	500	Second Alliance	550	+2	20.4b	3.7	..
125	108	Sec Of Scotland	118 ●	-1	5.7b	4.8	..
78	64	Smaller Cps	78 ●	..	2.4	3.2	..
38	32	Stewart Enterp	37½ ●	..	0.5	1.5	..
146	112	Stockholders	127 ●	..	3.6	2.8	..
100	87	Tr Australia	88 ●	..	2.9	3.3	..
97	78	Tr City Of Lon Dfd	86	+1	4.4b	5.2	..
153	130	Tr Ind & Gen	147	+1	4.8b	3.3	..
255	234	Tr Natural Res	238	..	10.7	4.5	..
253	188	Tr North America	188 ●	..	5.2b	2.8	..
283	125	Tr Pacific Basin	128 a	-⅝	2.8	2.2	..
146	134	Tr Property	142	..	5.1	3.6	..
101	85	Tr Tech	97 ●	+1	2.5	2.8	..
138	124	Tr Trustees	136	..	4.9	3.6	..
124	111	Temple Bar	120	..	9.6	8.5	..
250	211	Throgmorton	247	+2	10.7	4.3	..
280	248	Throg Secured Cap	284	+1	..	..	..
167	147	Trans Oceanic	165	+1	4.9b	3.1	..
120	108	Tribune	107	..	3.2	3.0	..
79½	74	Triplevest Inc	75	..	13.4	17.8	..
218	186	US Debenture	208	..	9.3	4.5	..
82	71	Viking Resources	78½ ●	+1	1.6	2.1	..
82	61	Westpool	80	..	2.0	2.5	..
110	88	Winterbottom Enrgy	100	-1	1.0	1.0	..
158	138	Witan	151 ●	-½	3.9	2.8	..
284	258	Yeoman	282	..	12.3	4.4	..

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
410	310	Alcroyd & Smithers	310 ●	..	23.6	7.6	12.0
57⅝	31⅝	American Express	£35⅝	-⅛	..	..	12.8
30	19	Argyle	25	..	..	..	..
95	63	Boustead	69	-1	..	..	..
115	88	Britannia Arrow	105	..	5.6	3.4	17.1
113	89	CJR Pacific	89	-1	..	..	..
41	25	Do Warrants	27	..	..	..	..
14½	8⅝	Daily Mail	£14½	..	59.0	3.9	16.1
13⅝	8⅝	Do 'A'	£13⅝	..	55.0	4.2	14.1
129	113	Electra	128	+½	5.1	4.0	34.1
101	80	Eng Assoc	91	..	4.3b	4.7	12.9
743	528	Exco	638 ●	-10	12.9	2.0	17.8
85	68	Exploration	78	..	4.5	5.8	12.7
12½	10	First Charlotte	12½ ●	..	0.1	0.8	..
776	700	Framlington	713	..	12.9	1.8	18.3
90	58	Frost (JJ & D)	85 ●	..	5.0	5.8	12.0
105	44	Goode (D & M)	97	-1	1.6	1.6	16.9
740	578	Henderson Admin	740	+5	15.7	2.1	16.7
8⅛	6⅞	M & G	£6⅞ ●	..	19.5	3.0	25.8
369	264	Mercantile House	279	..	17.5	6.3	7.1
405	340	Mills & Allen	350	+5	20.0	5.7	10.8
125	93	Smith Brothers	123 ●	+5½	8.5	7.0	6.5

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	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	109.6	116.0●	+0.9	10.34
High Inc Equity	73.6	78.3	+0.4	6.32
Worldwide Bond	143.6	153.0●	-0.4	6.64
American Growth	133.2	141.7	-0.4	1.53
Asian Pacific	49.4	52.6	+0.1	..
Assets & Earns	76.9	82.2●	+0.5	2.85
Capital Reserve	57.1	57.4	..	0.74
Comm & Energy	70.7	76.0	-0.4	3.41
General	108.9	114.3	+1.0	2.84
Japan	148.1	159.3	-4.7	..
UK Growth Inc	78.4	81.1	+0.3	1.9
Do Accum	107.2	115.3	+0.5	1.9
US Emerging Co's	55.7	59.5	-0.2	0.44
Equities Progress	159.8	171.0●	+1.2	3.02
AITKEN HUME FUNDS MANAGEMENT LTD 30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
American Tech	109.0	116.7	..	0.1
Pacific	124.7	133.4	..	0.2
Sec Income Fnd	147.6	157.9	..	5.5
Special Situations	171.7	183.7●	..	1.56
Energy & Res	38.7	41.4	..	0.6
American Majors	58.1	62.4	..	1.56
Small Co's	30.1	32.2	..	1.97
Japan Technology	57.5	61.5●	..	0.1
International Income	50.2	53.7	..	7.0
Exempt	458.3	486.2	..	2.36
ALLIED UNIT TRUSTS LTD Allied Hambro Hse, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 211459 & 0277 229123				
First Trust	168.6	180.0	..	3.95
Growth & Income	105.7	112.9	..	3.93
Capital Trust	182.8	205.3	..	2.83
Balanced	282.8	300.5●	..	3.81
Accum Trust	428.5	458.3	..	3.16
American Income	28.8	31.7	..	4.7
High Income Tst	186.5	198.6	..	5.59
Equity Income	103.3	110.0	..	5.75
High Yield	115.4	122.9●	..	6.92
Govt Secs Trust	27.9	28.1	..	9.9
International	62.1	65.1	..	1.82
Japan Fund	57.9	62.6	..	0.01
Pacific Trust	114.9	122.4	..	1.36
Amer Spcl Sits	61.0	65.0	..	1.3
Secs Of Amer Tst	185.2	197.2●	..	1.2
Ald Asset Value	166.0	176.6●	..	4.18
Gilt Growth	31.4	32.8●	..	3.44
Smaller Co's	99.5	106.0	..	2.89
2nd Smaller Co's	130.0	138.5	..	2.46
Recovery Trust	57.5	61.2●	..	3.05
Met,Min & Cmdty	91.1	97.0●	..	2.23
O'seas Earnings	154.9	165.0 c	..	3.59
Technology Tst	78.8	83.9	..	1.99
Income Exempt	101.4	107.5	..	6.2
Far East Exempt	123.8	131.2●	..	1.47
Exempt Smaller Co's	170.1	180.3	..	3.42
USA Exempt Trust	303.5	321.7	..	1.87
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES LTD 131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-638 0876 01-638 0901/2/3/4				
Capital Growth Inc	50.1	53.5	..	2.01
Do Accum	54.1	57.8	..	2.01
Commodity	78.1	83.5●	-0.8	3.85
Do Accum	130.3	139.3●	-1.4	3.85
Do 10% Wdrawl	41.3	44.1●	-0.4	3.85
Eastern & Intl	92.2	98.6	-2.6	1.54
Do 6% Withdrawal	51.8	55.5	-1.3	1.54
Finance & Property	47.9	51.2	..	2.24
Foreign Growth Inc	58.4	62.4●	-1.0	1.35
Do Accum	..	..	..	..
Gilt & Fixed Income	43.8	45.8●	..	9.58
Do Accum	68.0	71.5●	..	9.55
High Income Income	56.5	60.4●	..	6.4
Do Accum	126.8	135.4●	..	6.4
High Yield Income	58.6	62.6●	..	9.04
Do Accum	144.9	154.9●	..	9.04
Managed Fund	50.2	52.9	..	..
North American	73.4	78.5●	-1.1	0.78
Preference Income	25.8	27.8	+0.1	11.01
Do Accum	76.2	81.4	+0.1	11.01
Smaller Co's Income	100.2	107.1●	..	0.91
Do Accum	106.8	114.2●	..	0.91
World Penny Share	9.2	9.8	..	1.45
Portfolio Tst UK	61.5	63.8	..	1.94
Portfolio Tst Japan	52.5	54.5	..	0.1
Portfolio Tst US	67.2	69.6	..	1.22
Portfolio Tst Europe	59.2	61.3	..	0.1
Portfolio Tst HK	..	..	..	..
ATLANTA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45, Moorgate, London EC2R 6EL 01-638 1711				
Japan & Far East	43.1	45.9	..	0.65
Canadian Trust	68.1	71.1●	..	0.66
Amer Special Growth	52.7	56.1	..	0.64
BAILLIE GIFFORD 3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-225 2581 (Dealers 031-225 6066)				
Intl Ex (22)	316.6	330.6 c	..	1.27
Japan Ex (43)	207.5	216.3	..	0.4
UK Ex (31)	151.4	167.7●	..	0.74
B'ssl Pats Intl	369.2	389.7	..	..
B'ssl Pans UK	144.6	152.3	..	..
BG America	133.8	142.4	-2.1	1.49
BG Energy	100.9	107.4	-1.2	2.02
BG Income Grwth	151.7	161.4●	+2.2	6.24
BG Japan	84.9	90.4	-2.4	0.59
BG Technology	166.6	175.4●	-2.9	0.53
BARCLAYS UNICORN Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5544				
America	77.1	82.0●	+0.1	2.99
Aust Accum	132.3	140.7 c	-0.8	1.42
Do Income	96.3	102.4 c	-0.7	1.42
Capital	169.0	178.7	+0.8	3.68
Exempt Trust	316.3	336.4●	+3.2	4.82
Extra Income	54.9	58.3	+0.3	6.82
Financial	182.7	194.3●	+0.5	3.73
500	199.0	210.8	+1.4	3.71
General	106.6	113.6	+0.9	3.62
Gilt & Fixed Inc	51.0	53.3●	+0.3	10.25
Gtr Pacific Accum	89.3	95.0	-2.6	0.82
Do Income	89.8	95.5	-2.9	0.82
Growth Accum	138.6	147.4	+0.3	2.73
Income Trust	245.1	261.8	+1.6	4.06
Prof Assoc Trust	109.3	115.8	+0.8	3.17
Recovery	142.0	151.0	+0.6	3.31
Trustee Fund	84.8	90.2	+0.7	3.63
Univ Tech Accum	45.2	48.0	-1.0	0.82
Do Income	45.1	47.9	-1.0	0.82
Worldwide Trust	106.6	113.4	+1.5	1.77
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	247.3	263.0●	+2.4	3.73
Do Inc	164.6	175.3●	+1.7	3.73
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 01-658 9002				
Australia	..	..	..	..
Eastern	..	..	..	..
Europe	55.5	59.0●	+0.1	2.5
Growth & Inc	479.8	498.7	..	3.7
Do Accum	709.6	738.1	..	3.7
First Japan	..	..	..	..
Japan Special	..	..	..	..
Japan Sunrise	..	..	..	..
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT CO LTD 59, Gresham St, London EC2P 2DS 01-606 4433				
European Inc	245.3	255.6	..	2.1
Do Accum	287.0	300.2	..	2.1
General Inc	118.3	125.4	..	3.73
Do Accum	156.7	166.9	..	3.73
Gilt Yield Inc	106.0	112.4 c	..	10.22
Do Accum	157.0	161.9	..	10.22
High Yield Inc	85.4	88.6	..	6.66
Do Accum	122.3	130.2	..	6.66
Japan Income	131.1	138.5●	..	0.66
Do Accum	131.6	139.0●	..	0.66
N American Inc	222.0	236.4	..	1.22
Do Accum	252.4	265.2	..	1.22
Pacific Income	31.6	33.3	..	0.89
Do Accum	98.2	104.4	..	0.89
Smlr Co's Inc	292.4	311.1●	..	2.85
Do Accum	340.8	362.6●	..	2.85
BRITANNIA GROUP Salisbury Hse, 31, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 5QL 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9 Viewpoint 01-675 5555				
Growth Gilt	52.9	53.7	+0.1	0.71
Recovery	81.8	87.3	+0.8	2.71
Smaller Co's	115.4	123.1	-0.2	1.24
Spec Mkt Sits	75.6	80.6	+0.2	1.3
UK Growth	32.9	35.1●	-0.1	3.0
Extra Inc	51.3	54.7	+0.1	7.82
Gilt	26.0	27.4	+0.2	8.84
Inc & Growth	154.2	164.5●	+1.6	4.82
Nat High Inc	148.0	158.1	+1.8	5.99
Pref Shares	17.9	19.1●	..	11.41
Commodity	137.3	146.5●	-0.8	2.57
Financial Secs	35.8	38.2●	+0.1	2.11
Gold & Gen	22.3	24.0●	-0.2	3.29
Int Leisure	12.4	13.2	-0.2	..
Prop Shares	41.2	43.9	..	1.9
Univ Energy	62.1	66.2	-0.4	0.57
World Tech	41.0	43.7	-1.3	0.52
Amer Growth	84.9	90.6	-0.9	2.35
Amer Income	53.4	57.0	-0.1	8.58
Amer Smaller Co's	23.4	25.0	-0.4	0.05
Amer Special	68.8	73.2●	-1.4	1.05
Aust Growth	64.0	68.2	-1.8	2.88
Euro Smaller	9.4	10.0	..	0.1
Far East	35.9	38.3	-0.7	1.21
Hong Kong Prf	25.8	27.5	+0.2	2.39
Intl Growth	28.0	29.9●	-0.5	1.8
Japan Perf	32.9	35.1	-2.2	..
Japan Smaller	9.1	9.7	-0.2	..
Exempt	60.5	63.3●	+0.4	3.61
Exempt Market	62.3	66.2●	+0.4	3.24
BROWN SHIPLEY & CO 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
BS Fund Income	47.5	51.1	..	4.28
Do Accum	78.3	82.3	..	..
Financial	94.7	101.3	..	3.03
Growth Accum	159.7	171.0	..	..
Do Income	103.0	111.0	..	1.75
High Income	49.8	53.6	..	6.45
Income	56.7	61.0	..	5.28
North American	52.2	56.2	..	1.24
Orient	48.3	49.8●	..	0.21
Recovery	27.5	29.6●	..	3.66
Technology	127.7	137.3●	..	0.6
Exempt	165.6	178.1●	..	2.69
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	163.7	171.9●	..	3.84
General Accum (4)	254.5	267.1●	..	3.84
Incom Accum (3)	125.1	131.5●	..	5.76
Intl Inc (2)	105.6	111.0	..	3.29
Intl Accum (2)	136.5	144.2	..	3.28
Smaller Inc (5)	889.5	949.1	..	1.31
Smaller Acc (5)	930.2	981.5	..	1.31
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	42.6	45.3	-1.7	0.47
CANNON FUND MANAGERS 1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	224.2	238.2	-0.8	3.55
Income	254.4	270.6	+0.5	5.1
Far East	115.1	122.4	-1.8	0.8
North American	120.9	128.6	-0.6	1.49
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT 100, Old Broad St, London EC2N 1BQ 01-588 6010				
Capital (3)	264.8	279.8	..	2.28
Income (3)	204.5	215.4	..	6.15
North American (3)	243.8	258.5	..	1.91
CATER ALLEN 1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	99.1	105.2●	+0.5	11.54
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENTS 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DB 01-588 1815				
Income April 30	298.77	●	..	5.48
Accum April 30	845.45		..	..
CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS LTD 11, New Street, London EC2M 4TP 01-283 1963				
American	40.1	43.0	..	0.57
Australian	19.4	20.8	..	0.53
Japan & General	28.7	30.7	..	0.29
High Income	40.5	43.4●	..	8.41
International Trust	65.3	69.7	..	0.39
Income Growth Trust	39.8	42.6	..	4.95
Gilts & Fixed Int	19.2	20.8 c	..	12.02
Global Markets	31.2	33.4	..	1.45
Special Situations	37.5	40.1	..	2.69
COUNTY BANK UT 161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Capital Accum	224.5	238.9●	+1.5	3.02
Energy Trust	48.5	51.6	+0.2	5.89
Extra Income	125.6	133.8	+0.9	5.65
Financial	102.2	108.7	+0.5	3.08
Gilt Strategy	52.0	55.6●	..	2.16
Growth Investment	225.0	239.3	+2.0	2.99
Income	101.3	107.7 k	..	4.78
Japanese & Pacific	76.2	81.0	-1.0	0.21
Nth Amer Growth	87.0	92.5●	-0.5	2.21
Portfolio Inv Fund	145.3	152.1●	..	4.29
Recovery Trust	95.5	102.8	-0.1	1.81
Smaller Co's	153.0	162.7	..	2.1
Global Inc Tst	..	..	..	..
CROWN UT SERVICES Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	168.7	180.4	..	5.82
Growth Trust	170.4	182.2	..	2.99
American Trust	111.9	119.7	..	0.84
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MANAGERS LTD 36-38, New Broad St, London EC2M 1NU 01-638 4485				
Income	79.9	84.4●	..	4.28
Accumulated	138.5	146.2●	..	4.38
EFM UT MANAGERS 4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3491				
American Fund	63.5	68.0	+0.1	2.57
Capital Fund	66.0	70.6●	-0.2	1.95
Growth & Inc Fund	105.4	112.8	-0.1	4.21
High Dist Fund	84.1	90.0●	-0.2	6.39
International Fund	152.4	163.1	-0.8	1.38
Resources Fund	26.6	28.7	..	2.33
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	20.0	21.4	-0.4	0.1
Tokyo Fund	93.0	99.5	-8.9	0.25
(Ex) Amer (2)	122.2	128.2	..	2.37
(Ex) Japan (3)	64.3	65.5●	..	0.38
(Ex) Pacific (4)	191.5	197.7	..	2.04
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	113.0	118.7	..	0.1
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMIN LTD 35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	287.9	306.3	..	3.32
High Income Trust	56.2	58.8●	..	6.17
Gilt & Fixed Int	48.4	51.5	..	9.82
Tst Of Inv Trusts	53.1	56.5	..	2.09
Special Sits Trust	58.5	62.3	..	2.89
Nth Amer Trust	49.1	52.3	..	2.89
Far Eastern Trust	48.7	51.9	..	0.98
EQUITY & LAW Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 33377				
UK Growth Accum	118.2	125.6●	+0.9	3.79
Do Income	103.9	110.5●	+0.7	3.79
Higher Inc Accum	171.8	182.7●	+1.2	5.77
Do Income	144.1	153.2●	+1.0	5.77
Gilt/Fixed Accum	88.1	90.8	+0.1	3.23
Do Income	75.7	78.6	+0.6	3.23
Nth Amer Tst Accum	123.9	131.8●	-1.8	0.54
Far East Tst Accum	83.5	88.8●	-2.8	1.07
Euro Tst Accum	85.5	90.9	+0.5	1.41
General Trust	182.8	194.4	-0.2	3.19
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	65.8	70.2	..	0.46
Capital Fund	87.1	93.2	..	0.87
Income Fund	60.3	64.5	..	5.35
Far Eastern Fund	48.5	51.9	..	0.92
Overseas Income	56.9	60.9●	..	4.86
Fixed Interest	52.7	54.7●	..	10.48
Natural Res Fund	52.6	56.2●	..	4.08
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	84.3	90.2	-0.1	1.72
Amer Equity Income	31.4	33.5	-0.1	5.6
Amer Special Sits	47.9	51.3●	-0.1	0.13
South East Asia Tst	27.9	29.7	-0.1	1.29
Japan Special Sits	22.2	23.7	-0.6	..
Japan Trust	72.7	77.4	-4.0	..
Managed Intl Tst	85.4	90.9	..	0.78
Max Income Equity	56.3	59.9●	..	6.21
Special Sits	104.0	110.7	..	1.14
Gilt Fixed Int	26.7	28.8	..	10.01
Growth & Income	73.6	78.2 c	..	5.16
FINLAY (JAMES) 10-14, West Nile St, Glasgow 041-204 1321				
JF International (3)	64.2	69.0	..	1.25
Do Accum (3)	82.3	88.4	..	1.25
JF High Income (3)	54.8	58.9	..	7.25
JF World Energy (3)	16.7	17.9	..	2.02
Do Accum (3)	23.0	24.7	..	1.9
JF Inv Trust (3)	85.8	92.3	..	2.84
Do Accum (3)	125.3	134.7	..	2.76
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£315.42	322.31	-1.55	1.88
Japan Exempt	£212.07	218.99	-5.30	1.87
Am Property Tst	$11,416.0	●	..	7.75
Property Trust	£2,094.0		..	6.0
FRAMLINGTON MANAGEMENT 3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Income	192.0	204.0	-1.9	..
Do Accum	193.6	206.2	-1.8	..
Amer Turnaround Inc	182.6	194.4	-0.9	..
Do Accum	186.8	198.8	-1.1	..
Capital Tst Income	162.8	173.0	+1.8	3.05
Do Accum	191.2	203.2	+1.5	3.05
Conv & Gilt Income	78.4	83.2	+0.2	6.62
Do Accum	97.6	103.8	+0.2	6.62
Extra Inc Tst Income	117.8	125.2	+1.0	5.7
Do Accum	119.8	127.4	+0.9	5.7
Income Trust	87.2	92.6●	+0.8	5.36
Do Accum	88.8	94.2●	+0.9	5.36
Int Growth Fd Income	141.0	150.0●	+0.3	0.4
Do Accum	155.0	164.8●	+0.2	0.4
Japan & Gen Income	50.6	54.0	-1.6	0.53
Do Accum	51.2	54.4	-1.6	0.53
Monthly Income Fund	58.0	61.6●	+0.4	6.05
Recovery	101.2	107.8	+0.2	3.23
Do Accum	107.4	114.2	+0.2	3.23
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	164.2	173.7●	+1.5	2.72
Do Accum	257.6	283.1●	+2.4	2.72
FP Fixed Int Dist	101.1	108.1●	+0.9	8.83
Do Accum	110.2	117.8●	+1.0	8.83
Stewardship Dist	134.2	142.5●	+1.8	2.0
Do Accum	137.1	146.0●	+1.8	2.0
GT UNIT MANAGERS 8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	76.4	81.8	+1.0	1.9
Do Accum	106.6	114.1	+1.3	1.9
Income Fund	64.2	68.7	+0.5	6.6
Liquid Reserve	101.3	102.9	+0.1	4.1
Pension Exempt	132.5	138.8	+0.8	2.4
International	108.9	114.4	-0.4	0.5
US & General	29.4	31.3	+0.3	1.58
Tech & Growth	182.8	194.4	-0.9	..
Japan & General	124.9	133.6	-5.4	0.4
Far East & Gen	70.4	75.2	-2.2	1.0
European Fund	136.0	145.5	..	0.6
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	79.5	84.5●	+0.4	0.34
Australian Trust	17.5	18.7●	..	0.17
British Tst Accum	45.4	48.4	+0.4	2.56
Do Dist	40.7	43.4	+0.3	2.56
Commodity	65.2	69.4●	-0.6	1.11
European Trust	27.0	28.8	+0.1	1.51
Income Trust	37.5	39.9●	+0.3	5.38
Far East Trust	80.8	86.9	-1.4	0.64
Fixed Interest Fund	24.7	26.3	..	10.5
Gilt Trust	26.7	28.8	+0.2	10.09
Global Fund Accum	111.0	118.1●	+0.2	0.54
Do Dist	108.6	115.6●	+0.2	0.54
Gold Share Trust	16.8	18.0	-0.3	1.96
Hedged American	24.5	26.0	+0.2	0.1
High Income Trust	103.0	109.6	+0.3	6.03
Hong Kong Trust	29.4	31.3	+0.3	1.59
Income Fund	30.7	34.0	+0.2	4.16
Insurance Agencies	£36.80	38.49	+0.26	2.89
Japan Trust	64.1	68.1	-2.8	0.05
Japan Smaller Co's	..	..	..	..
Managed Exempt	222.0	231.3	+1.7	3.61
Oil & Energy Trust	36.4	38.7	-0.1	1.09
Special Sits Trust	70.6	75.2	..	1.82
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	48.5	51.6	-0.2	1.39
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT LTD Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	61.1	65.3●	-0.4	1.06
American Growth	53.2	56.9	-0.2	0.31
American Inc	59.7	63.8	-0.3	5.1
European Growth	104.8	111.8	+0.8	1.0
Gold & Minerals	45.6	48.7	-0.2	2.31
Japan Growth	84.8	90.4	-1.3	..
Pacific Income	59.4	63.5	-1.1	4.48
UK Special Opps	70.7	75.6	+0.5	2.4
GRE UNIT MANAGERS LTD Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 2020				
Gilt & Fixed Int	112.9	117.4	..	10.03
Growth Equity	162.2	172.6●	..	2.66
Guardhill	240.0	248.7	+2.2	3.6
N American	125.6	133.7	-0.2	2.53
Pacific	127.1	135.3	-3.6	0.71
Property Share	157.5	167.7	..	1.52
Smaller Companies	167.9	178.7	..	1.56
European Trust	122.3	130.2 c	+0.7	0.91
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex 0277 217918				
HBL Smlr Co's Tst	86.8	92.4	..	2.5
HBL N Amer Trust	57.4	61.1●	..	2.45
HBL Japan & F E	67.4	71.7●	..	0.7
HBL Scandinavian	52.1	55.2	..	4.8
HBL European	54.5	58.0	..	3.0
HBL Canadian	43.5	46.3	..	2.35
HBL Equity Inc	62.7	66.7●	..	6.05
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION 26, Finsbury Sq, London EC2A 1DA 01-638 5757				
Special Sits Inc	101.1	108.3	..	1.33
Do Accum	139.8	151.1	..	1.33
Recovery Trust	76.5	81.5	..	3.75
Capital Growth Inc	48.4	52.3	..	1.93
Do Accum	54.9	59.3	..	1.93
Income Assets	83.7	89.5	..	4.13
Financial Trust	94.4	100.5●	..	3.31
Income & Growth Inc	107.0	114.4●	..	4.04
Do Accum	202.0	215.0●	..	4.04
High Income Trust	130.0	138.8●	..	5.32
Extra Income	122.7	132.7●	..	5.36
Smaller Cos Div	78.4	81.4●	..	5.79
Pref & Gilt	47.0	50.0●	..	10.61
Gilt Trust	43.2	45.5●	..	10.02
Fixed Interest Trust	51.8	54.3●	..	10.35
Global Healthcare	54.5	57.5	..	0.82
Global Tech	80.7	84.6	..	0.49
Gold	..	..	..	..
International	111.7	119.0	..	1.83
Oil & Nat Res	72.2	76.2	..	1.38
Worldwide (3)	276.9	291.5	..	3.92
Australian	81.4	85.4	..	0.87
European	132.1	139.0	..	0.94
Euro Smaller Cos	50.0	52.6	..	0.95
Japan Trust	80.7	85.9	..	0.01
Japan Special Sits	85.5	91.1	..	0.01
Pacific Smaller Cos	51.7	55.1	..	0.65
Singapore & Malay	38.6	41.5	..	2.1
North American	132.4	143.1	..	2.41
Amer Smaller Cos	49.7	53.7	..	2.03
Amer Recovery Trust	114.2	123.5●	..	3.47
High Income Exempt	92.7	96.6●	..	6.08
Smaller Cos Exempt	95.2	99.2●	..	1.42
Euro Exempt (6)	263.5	274.5	..	1.82
Japan Exempt (6)	79.0	82.7	..	0.71
N Amer	78.2	81.9●	..	3.31
Global Tech Ex (5)	66.8	69.8●	..	1.24
Pacific Exempt (5)	150.1	158.5●	..	2.58
HILL SAMUEL UT 45, Beech St, EC2P 2LX 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	418.8	445.6●	..	3.48
Capital Trust Units	78.6	83.7	..	2.86
Dollar Trust Units	159.8	170.1	-1.7	2.6
European Trust	63.1	67.2	+0.3	1.55
Far East Trust	83.5	88.9 c	-3.2	3.2
Financial Trust	260.1	276.8	..	2.82
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	27.0	28.1●	..	10.54
Do Growth	37.3	38.8	..	3.81
High Yield Trust	48.5	51.7●	..	5.91
Income Trust	61.9	65.9●	..	5.25
International	93.0	99.0	-1.2	3.16
Japan Tech Tst	24.2	25.8	-1.7	0.67
Natural Resources	32.5	34.6	-1.3	2.84
Security Trust	142.2	151.3	..	3.34
Smaller Cos	58.2	62.0	..	1.88
Special Sits	60.4	65.6	..	1.76
IBI FUND MANAGERS LTD 32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	96.5	102.7●	..	2.0
IBI High Income	49.8	52.8●	..	10.0
IBI Security Gilt	52.0	54.8●	..	3.5
Investment Tst Fnd	..	..	..	..
KEY FUND MANAGERS 85, Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061-236 5685				
Equity & Gen	167.9	180.6	+1.7	1.75
Income Fund	162.0	174.3●	+1.4	5.14
Fixed Interest	65.7	69.8	..	11.73
KLEINWORT BENSON 20, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	52.7	56.4	-0.4	2.66
Do Accum	53.0	56.7	-0.3	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	15.7	16.8 a	+0.1	2.72
Do Accum	19.4	20.8 a	+0.1	..
High Yield Inc	96.7	102.6●	-0.2	5.47
Do Accum	159.8	168.1●	-0.3	..
Int Recovery Inc	71.1	75.4●	..	3.47
Do Accum	73.5	77.9●	..	..
Japan Growth Inc	47.7	51.0	-0.7	0.66
Do Accum	47.9	51.2	-0.8	..
Smaller Co's Inc	119.8	127.1	+0.5	1.86
Do Accum	153.6	162.8	+0.6	..
UK Equity Growth Inc	21.9	23.6 s	..	1.46
Do Accum	35.4	38.2 s	..	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	37.5	39.9	-0.4	..
Do Accum	37.6	40.0	-0.4	..
LAS UNIT TRUST 10, George Street, Edinburgh 031-225 8494				
High Income	28.5	30.3	-2.8	..
Intl Growth	28.2	30.1	-0.2	..
Amer Equity	30.8	33.2●	+2.1	..
UK Equity	30.8	33.8●	+0.6	..
L & C UT MANAGEMENT Fiercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	329.3	335.1	..	5.91
International & Gen	201.9	208.1	..	0.88
LAWSON FUND MANAGERS LTD 43, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 031-225 6001				
American Growth (1)	57.1	63.1	..	1.53
Commodity Gen (1)	38.4	40.9	..	3.5
Charlotte Square (2)	58.3	64.5●	-0.4	4.2
Penny Share Fd (3)	14.1	15.1	..	2.4
Australian & Pac (4)	6.7	7.3	..	2.5
High Yield Inc (5)	20.7	23.3●	..	10.0
Do Accum	36.0	38.1●	..	10.0
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 217238				
Equity Distribution	214.9	229.9	..	3.14
Do Accum	327.1	349.9	..	3.14
Gilt Trust	67.4	71.3●	..	4.49
Int Managed	60.6	64.7●	..	3.12
LLOYDS BANK UT Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	148.5	158.8●	+1.2	3.58
Do Accum	257.6	275.5	+1.9	3.58
Energy Intl	51.6	55.1	-0.4	2.47
Do Accum	55.4	59.2	-0.3	2.47
Extra Income	117.7	125.8●	+0.9	6.64
Do Accum	203.6	217.7	+1.6	6.64
Income	203.6	217.7	+1.2	5.01
Do Accum	387.1	414.0	+2.8	5.01
Intl Tech	145.2	155.2●	-3.0	0.71
Do Accum	150.6	161.0	-3.0	0.71
N Amer & Gen	90.7	97.0	-1.2	1.72
Do Accum	98.4	105.1	-1.2	1.72
Pacific Basin	84.7	90.5	-1.4	0.8
Do Accum	87.8	93.9	-1.3	0.8
Smaller Cos & Rec	146.3	156.4●	+0.5	1.55
Do Accum	161.4	172.6	+0.5	1.55
Worldwide Growth	90.7	97.0	-1.2	1.72
Do Accum.	193.4	206.8	-2.4	1.37
LLOYDS LIFE UNIT TRUST 20, Clifton St, London EC2A 4AX 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	84.8	89.4●	+0.6	1.84
Do Accum	116.7	124.2●	+0.9	1.84
Gilt Trust	46.4	48.9	+0.2	5.11
Do Accum	47.7	50.3	+0.4	5.11
High Income Dist	68.9	73.4	+0.3	5.48
Do Accum	76.4	81.3	+0.4	5.48
US Growth	47.3	50.4	-0.5	1.94
Do Accum	47.6	50.7	-0.5	1.94
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	34.3	●	-1.0	4.0
Income Trust	27.8	29.7	+0.3	6.5
International Trust	24.0	25.6●	-0.5	1.0
M & G SECURITIES Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	190.7	204.0	-0.9	2.18
Do Accum	215.7	231.0	-1.0	2.18
Amer Recovery	208.9	223.5●	-1.6	2.11
Do Accum	223.9	239.6	-1.8	2.11
Am Smaller Cos	48.2	51.6	-0.4	1.22
Do Accum	48.5	51.9	-0.4	1.22
Aust & Gen Inc	77.4	82.0	-1.2	1.24
Do Accum	83.8	88.8	-1.3	1.24
Comm & Gen Inc	185.0	198.0	-0.6	2.55
Do Accum	236.4	253.0	-0.8	2.55
Compound Growth	326.6	349.7	+0.2	3.57
Conversion Growth	257.5	272.9	-0.5	2.72
Do Inc	152.1	161.2	+0.8	6.5
Dividend Fund Inc	296.1	316.0●	+0.5	5.75
Do Accum	849.7	904.3	+1.5	5.75
European & General	108.5	115.0	+0.1	1.62
Do Accum	128.2	135.9	+0.1	1.62
Extra Yield Inc	167.5	177.5	..	6.44
Do Accum	344.5	365.2	..	6.44
Far Eastern Inc	144.1	152.7	-1.2	1.45
Do Accum	173.0	183.4	-1.5	1.45
Fund Of Inv Inc	184.9	196.0●	-0.1	3.11
Do Acc	284.5	301.6●	-0.1	3.11
General Income	457.1	484.5	+0.9	4.55
Do Accum	927.5	983.2	+1.8	4.65
Gilt & Fixed Int	55.9	58.7●	+0.2	10.08
Do Accum	78.0	83.0	+0.3	10.08
Gold Income	45.2	47.9	-0.5	2.82
Do Accum	46.7	49.5	-0.4	2.82
High Income Inc	182.6	194.3	+0.9	5.14
Do Accum	204.4	217.4	+1.0	5.74
Intl Growth Inc	638.2	677.6	-3.0	3.38
Do Accum	993.3	1,052.6	-4.6	3.38
Japan & Gen Inc	415.3	442.3●	-14.1	0.58
Do Accum	444.4	473.3●	-15.0	0.58
Japan Smaller Inc	53.5	56.7●	-1.5	0.28
Do Accum	53.9	57.1●	-1.5	0.28
Midland & Gen Inc	401.3	425.4●	..	5.06
Do Accum	967.5	1,025.5	-6.1	5.06
Recovery Fund Inc	250.7	268.9	-0.5	3.63
Do Accum	317.1	336.1	-0.6	3.63
Second Gen Inc	524.6	559.1●	-7.4	3.59
Do Accum	£10.08	10.68	-0.01	3.59
Smaller Cos Inc	519.6	555.3	-1.4	2.81
Do Accum	792.0	847.4	-2.0	2.81
Trustee Fund Inc	328.9	348.6●	..	5.01
Do Accum	908.9	963.4	+0.1	5.01
Charibond Inc (3)	104.5		..	11.6
Do Accum (3)	290.6	●	..	11.6
Charifund Inc (2)	283.9	296.9	..	6.57
Do Accum (2)	716.1	723.3●	..	6.57
Pension Exempt (1)	345.9	361.5	-1.2	5.12
NAACIF Inc (3)	32.9		..	8.41
Do Accum (3)	354.5		..	8.41
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 37-41, Old Queen St, London SW1H 9JG 01-222 0311				
MLA General	26.3	27.8●	..	2.35
MLA International	37.7	39.9	..	0.67
MLA Gilt Unit	22.0	23.3●	..	11.75
MLA Income	30.4	32.2●	..	4.65
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	59.6	63.3	..	3.17
Gilt & Fixed Int	94.6	97.9	..	4.63
High Income Units	86.6	92.0	..	7.04
Intl Growth Units	83.3	88.5●	..	0.65
N American Units	25.8	27.5	+0.2	2.39
Far East Units	78.5	83.2	..	0.52
Smaller Cos Fund	54.3	57.7●	..	1.45
McANALLY FUND MANAGEMENT LTD Regis House, King William St EC4 01-623 4951				
Delphi Income Tst Inc	43.7	46.5●	..	6.46
Do Accum	76.5	81.4●	..	6.46
Glen Fund Inc	115.8	123.2●	..	4.24
Do Accum	190.7	202.8●	..	4.24
MERCURY FUND 33, King William St, EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	83.1	88.2●	-0.1	1.47
Do Accum	85.2	90.5●	-0.1	1.47
European Fund	68.1	72.4	..	1.9
Do Accum	68.9	73.2	-0.1	1.9
General	172.3	183.2	-4.4	3.18
Do Accum	287.0	305.3	+3.4	3.19
Gilt	78.4	79.1●	+0.4	9.22
Income Fund	108.9	115.6	+0.6	3.17
Do Accum	82.6	88.5●	+0.3	5.57
Recovery	140.6	149.5●	+1.2	4.37
Do Accum	145.3	154.5●	+1.3	4.37
International	180.5	192.0	+6.4	1.71
Do Accum	210.8	223.7	-2.7	1.71
Japan Fund	78.2	83.1	-2.4	0.15
Do Accum	78.5	84.5	-2.5	0.15
Exempt Dist	172.4	177.7	..	2.94
Exempt Acc	258.3	266.2	..	2.94
Gilt & Fixed Acc	83.3	84.1●	+0.5	3.22
Fixed Int Exempt	47.8	50.8	..	8.94
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 79842				
Capital Income	65.5	69.9	..	2.94
Do Accum	86.3	92.1	..	2.94
Commodity & Gen	117.1	124.8●	..	2.81
Do Accum	160.4	171.1●	..	2.81
Extra High Inc	48.8	52.1	..	8.82
Do Accum	52.4	55.9	..	8.82
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.0	53.2●	..	10.21
Do Accum	75.5	79.0●	..	10.21
High Yield	115.3	123.0●	..	6.61
Do Accum	157.9	169.5●	..	6.61
Income	131.3	140.1	..	4.57
Do Accum	206.3	220.0	..	4.57
Japan & Pacific	160.2	169.9	..	0.2
Do Accum	157.5	168.1	..	0.2
N American Inc	82.3	88.4●	..	0.54
Do Accum	108.7	115.9●	..	0.54
Overseas Growth	78.5	84.0●	..	0.51
Do Accum	92.7	99.9●	..	0.51
Smaller Cos Inc	81.5	86.9	..	2.36
Do Accum	84.4	90.0	..	2.36
MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 11, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YR 01-623 4273				
Equity Exempt	312.4	326.1	..	3.15
Do Accum	386.2	403.3	..	3.15
UK Market Features	50.2	53.5	..	1.9
Do Accum	50.6	54.0	..	1.8
Japan Performance	57.5	61.3●	..	0.2
Do Accum	57.6	61.4●	..	0.2
US Special Features	60.1	64.1●	..	1.36
Do Accum	60.4	64.4●	..	1.38
Gold & Precious Met	42.6	45.4	..	2.0
Do Accum	43.4	46.3	..	2.0
US Special Inc	50.9	54.3	..	7.65
Do Accum	51.1	54.5	..	7.65
MURRAY, JOHNSTONE UT 163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH 041-221 5521				
American	100.8	107.3	..	5.78
European	111.8	120.0	..	1.72
Smaller Cos	158.1	169.4●	..	1.3
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MNGRS LTD 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI Growth Dist	163.1	173.6●	+1.5	2.9
Do Accum	257.3	273.8●	+2.4	2.9
NPI O'seas Trust	411.3	435.3	-3.3	1.0
Do Accum	495.8	524.5	-4.0	1.0
NORWICH UNION PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	935.6	985.1	+7.0	4.42
Intl Trust	..	..	..	..
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE 01-236 3885				
International Growth	81.8	87.5	+0.2	1.0
Income & Growth	43.2	46.2	+0.5	3.5
Special Sits	50.4	53.8 c	+0.5	0.5
American Growth	27.0	28.7	-0.1	3.4
Japan Growth	28.6	30.5●	-1.0	..
European Growth	31.8	34.0	..	1.8
UK Growth	38.8	41.5●	+0.1	1.4
Pacific Growth	26.8	28.7●	-0.3	4.0
High Income	27.9	29.8	-0.1	7.9
Practical Income	41.4	44.1	-0.1	2.7
Do Accum	73.2	78.0	..	2.7
OPPENHEIMER MONEY MANAGEMENT LTD 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE 01-236 3885				
Call Fund	..	..	..	..
7-Day Fund	..	..	..	..
PEARL TRUST 252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	63.6	67.7	-0.4	3.38
Do Accum	94.1	100.1	-0.6	3.38
Income Fund	87.7	93.3	+0.1	4.95
Unit Trust Inc	92.1	98.0●	-0.1	4.08
Do Accum	155.9	165.6●	-0.2	4.08
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Growth	181.8	186.2	..	1.47
Income	137.5	147.3	..	5.49
Worldwide Rec	105.1	112.8	..	2.08
Amer Growth	57.7	62.0	..	0.87
Intl Emerg Co's	58.8	63.1	..	0.79
Far East Grwth	..	..	..	..
PROLIFIC UT 222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	85.8	91.8	-0.3	1.68
High Income	130.1	138.4●	..	5.1
Gilt Capital	78.7	81.9●	+0.1	3.36
Far Eastern	105.8	113.4	-0.9	0.4
North American	116.6	124.9	+0.2	1.75
Special Sits	146.4	158.6●	-1.8	1.32
Technology	112.8	120.3	-0.9	0.88
Extra Income	62.5	66.5	..	6.81
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Prudential Trust	326.4	347.2	+2.4	3.3
Holborn Gilt Trust	148.4	155.4	+1.1	9.0
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY 31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	321.6	342.2	..	3.45
Quadrant Income	182.0	194.6	..	6.24
Quadrant Intl Fd	300.7	316.8●	-7.0	1.54
Quadrant Recovery	199.9	210.5	..	2.74
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456				
NC America Inc	245.0	257.8	-2.3	1.38
Do Accum	230.7	242.8	+3.0	1.38
NC Energy Res	169.4	178.3	-1.0	2.8
NC Income	338.9	364.6●	+0.3	6.03
NC Japan	106.3	111.8	-3.4	0.02
NC Smaller Cos	109.0	114.7	+0.2	2.05
NC Smlr Europ Co's	102.3	107.6	-0.4	0.82
NC Amer Prop	$11.21	11.80●	..	..
NC Property	185.0	194.8	..	..
ROWAN UNIT TRUST 33-45, Finsbury Sq, London EC2A 1JA 01-606 1066				
American (4)	193.5	197.5	..	1.85
Securities (2)	566.0	584.5	..	2.31
High Yield (5)	130.0	133.5●	..	5.89
Merlin (3)	274.0	282.0	..	1.91
Fixed Interest	147.5	148.5	+1.0	2.9
High Interest	119.5	120.5	+1.0	12.34
Far East (2)	123.0	126.5	..	1.1
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	48.5	51.7●	+0.4	3.05
Intl Trust	54.8	58.2	-0.6	1.75
Gilt Trust	24.5	25.7●	+0.2	8.95
US Trust	..	..	..	..
Pacific Basin Tst	..	..	..	..
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 576115				
American Growth	66.9	71.1	..	1.26
Capital Accum	142.5	151.7●	..	2.52
Gilt Income	49.8	52.5	..	9.78
High Income	55.8	59.4●	..	7.06
Income & Growth	67.5	71.9●	..	5.19
Special Sits	78.4	83.5	..	2.07
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 68-73, Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX (Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351				
Capital Units	85.0	90.9	-0.3	2.16
Investment Trust	67.5	72.1	-0.1	3.09
Select International	58.0	62.0	-0.7	1.97
Universal Growth	63.4	67.4	-1.2	2.17
High Yield Units	119.2	126.8	+1.1	5.55
Scotyields	117.8	125.3	+1.2	4.61
Smaller Co's Inc	116.8	124.3	+0.5	4.49
Gilt & Fl Inc	51.2	53.9	+0.4	11.49
Do Growth	72.9	78.7	+0.6	3.49
High Return Units	137.0	145.7	+1.5	5.39
Income Fund	76.6	81.4	+0.5	5.89
Scotshares	125.3	133.2●	+1.2	4.83
UK Equity	139.5	149.1	+1.1	3.19
Amer Inc & Growth	60.3	64.4●	-0.3	8.59
European Growth	56.5	60.1	..	1.47
Japan Growth	61.5	65.4	-0.5	0.58
Japan Smaller Cos	69.5	74.3●	-2.4	..
SE Asia Growth	98.7	104.9●	+0.2	1.86
US Growth	61.5	65.4	-0.5	0.58
Commodity	53.2	56.5	-0.2	2.36
Energy Inds	53.1	56.4	-0.3	2.58
Exploration	33.8	35.9	-0.2	0.80
Financial Secs	69.3	74.1●	+0.1	2.7
New Technology	88.6	94.2	-2.3	..
Scotbits	98.2	105.0	+0.2	3.74
Special Situations	75.7	80.9	+0.7	2.88
International	87.8	93.3	-0.3	5.76
Exempt Inc Bnd	68.0	68.0●	..	6.06
Do Inf (43)	53.8	56.4●	..	3.16
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Inc	107.7	114.8●	-0.7	1.86
Do Accum	109.2	116.4●	-0.8	1.86
Australian Inc	60.9	64.9	..	1.22
Do Accum	64.7	68.9	..	1.22
European Inc	82.7	88.8	..	1.59
Do Accum	63.8	67.8	..	1.59
Gilt & Fixed Inc	52.9	55.8	+0.4	10.75
Do Accum	73.3	77.3	+0.5	10.75
Gold Fund Inc	38.8	42.2	..	4.57
Do Accum	40.7	43.3	..	4.57
Income	129.7	139.2●	+0.5	5.59
Do Accum	278.5	298.9●	+0.8	5.59
Intl Income	81.9	86.3●	-0.8	1.29
Do Accum	111.3	118.6●	-1.1	1.29
Jap Smllr Co's Ac	63.3	67.4	..	0.1
Singapore & Malay	68.5	74.0●	..	0.55
Do Accum	70.5	75.1●	..	0.55
Smaller Co's Inc	104.1	110.9●	-0.1	1.77
Do Accum	109.3	116.4●	..	1.77
Special Sits Inc	84.1	89.5	+0.4	1.41
Do Accum	86.3	92.0	+0.4	1.41
Tokyo Fund Inc	112.9	120.3	..	0.37
Do Accum	113.7	121.2	..	0.37
US Smaller Co's Ac	50.9	54.2●	..	0.26
UK Equity Inc	80.3	85.6	+0.1	3.21
Do Accum	120.0	127.9	+0.1	3.21
Recovery	598.3	637.8	..	2.85
Special Exempt	969.8	1,033.8	+1.5	1.73
Pensions & Charity	472.9	504.1	2.7	3.83
7-Day Special	..	..	..	..
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Income Units	118.5	127.2	..	3.8
Do Accum	172.7	183.9	..	3.81
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	129.7	138.8	+1.1	2.63
American	136.7	145.2	-1.8	1.42
Pacific	98.4	105.3	-3.5	0.08
European	120.3	128.7	+0.1	1.13
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD 109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6100				
UK Equity	132.0	140.4	+1.7	3.7
Gilt & Fixed	98.9	105.3	+1.3	8.59
UK Smlr Co's Eq	..	..	..	..
European	..	..	..	..
N American	..	..	..	..
Pacific	..	..	..	..
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST 29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 4372				
Pacific	32.2	34.5	-1.1	..
World Growth	29.1	31.2●	-0.4	0.74
N American	31.0	33.2	-0.3	0.82
Income Fund	34.0	36.4●	+0.2	5.75
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	181.2	192.9	..	..
Do Accum	203.6	216.7	..	3.5
SIMON & COATES 1, London Wall Bldgs, London EC2M 5PT 01-588 3644 Ext 357				
Special Sits (5)	35.0	37.2●	..	1.95
STANDARD LIFE Holborn Hall, 100, Grays Inn Rd, London WC1X 8JD 01-242 9700				
Income Units	194.6	208.6	+1.1	3.15
Do Accum Units	209.8	224.9	+1.2	3.15
STEWART UT 45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 3271				
American	192.7	205.4	-0.8	0.78
Do Accum	212.4	226.4	-0.8	0.78
Do Withdrawal	140.7	149.9	-0.6	0.78
Australian	100.2	106.8●	-0.7	2.04
Do Accum	100.3	106.0●	-1.2	2.04
British Capital (5)	438.2	468.9	..	4.47
Do Accum (5)	573.1	610.7	..	4.47
European Inc	170.8	181.9	+0.7	1.05
Do Accum	178.1	189.7	+0.8	1.05
Japan Fund	172.8	184.1	-4.4	0.5
Do Accum	174.3	185.6	-3.4	0.5
Saints PPP	..	..	..	..
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	321.5	343.9	+2.4	3.01
N Am Trust Acc	48.2	52.3	-0.4	1.3
Far East Trust Acc	48.9	52.0	-0.8	1.38
TSB UNIT TRUSTS PO Box 3, Keens Hse, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG 0264 62188 Dealings:0264 63432				
American Inc	96.3	102.5	-1.1	1.21
Do Accum	99.1	105.5	-1.1	1.21
Extra Income Inc	86.9	92.5	+0.4	6.06
Do Accum	96.6	103.0	+0.5	6.09
General Unit Inc	121.0	128.7	+1.4	3.27
Do Accum	193.0	206.2	+2.1	3.27
Gilt & Fixed Inc	46.6	48.6●	+0.3	9.8
Do Accum	56.5	58.7●	+0.4	9.8
Income	161.3	171.6●	+1.7	4.83
Accum	243.0	258.6●	+2.1	4.93
Pacific Inc	105.7	112.5 c	-1.7	1.1
Do Accum	107.5	114.4 c	-1.7	1.1
Intl Inc	227.1	241.7●	-1.4	1.91
Do Accum	276.4	294.1●	-1.8	1.91
Selected Opps Inc	48.0	51.1	+0.3	2.41
Do Accum	51.7	55.0	+0.4	2.41
Natural Res	47.3	50.4	-0.3	2.56
Do Accum	47.5	50.0	-0.3	2.56
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks 0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	68.8	73.6●	-0.5	0.19
Australian	27.5	29.4	-0.3	0.1
Commodity	99.9	107.4	-1.0	1.86
Energy	47.2	50.5	..	0.85
Equity	102.3	109.1 c	+0.3	3.69
Extra Income	71.9	76.9●	..	0.1
Financial	202.1	215.8	+0.4	2.86
Gilt Income	101.6	106.4●	+0.8	8.14
Do Capital	212.9	222.9	+1.2	3.26
Gold Income	65.2	69.7●	..	4.11
Do Accum	117.8	126.9●	-0.1	4.11
Income	59.7	64.2●	+0.2	6.69
Japan	43.9	46.8	-1.8	0.1
Malay & Singapore	27.5	29.3	-0.2	0.91
Pacific Inc	69.0	73.8	-1.2	1.04
Do Reinvest	83.6	89.4	-1.6	1.04
Pref Share Fd	15.6	16.9●	..	10.29
Professional	493.2	528.1	+2.8	1.98
Special Sits	88.1	94.2	-0.1	1.83
Technology	42.8	45.2	-0.3	0.1
US Special Bond	49.1	52.5	-0.5	8.59
Worldwide Capital	111.9	119.4	-0.5	1.79
Equity Ex (3)	629.8	671.9●	..	2.5
Do Accum (3)	£11.95	12.95●	..	2.5
European Spec Sits	49.8	53.3●	+0.2	0.94
3I & TARGET FUND Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks 0296 5941				
Smaller Co's	71.9	76.9●	..	0.1
Income Monthly	39.1	41.7●	+0.3	7.38
TEMPLE BAR Electra House, Temple Place, Victoria Embankment, London WC2 01-836 7766				
High Income	41.3	44.3	..	7.63
N Amer Trust	109.0	114.9	..	0.87
Recovery	118.0	125.5	..	3.94
Gilt Trust	36.9	38.2●	..	9.88
St Vincent Inc	66.0	70.1	..	6.24
St Vincent US Grwth	70.7	73.7	..	0.83
Electra Small Co's	..	..	..	..
TOUCHE REMNANT Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	26.7	28.7	+0.1	0.29
General Growth	39.0	41.4	+0.3	2.46
Global Tech	28.8	30.7●	-0.1	0.1
Income Growth	44.3	47.7	+0.2	5.06
Income Monthly	39.1	41.7●	+0.3	7.38
O'seas Growth	34.2	36.4●	-0.5	1.75
Smaller Cos	40.3	42.9	..	1.92
Special Opps	42.8	45.8	+0.1	1.26
TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES CO LTD 91-99, New London Rd, Chelmsford 0245 51651				
Colemco Inc (3)	372.5	390.5	..	4.25
Do Accum (3)	594.8	621.9	..	4.25
Fielding Fund (4)	191.6	205.5	..	3.81
Do Accum (4)	208.0	223.1	..	3.81
Fielding Am & Gen (4)	208.2	220.6	..	2.23
Do Accum (4)	224.1	248.1	..	2.23
Fielding Inc Fund (4)	134.8	145.0 c	..	5.48
S & W Amer (5)	139.3	148.4●	..	2.71
TYNDALL MANAGERS 18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Australian	62.3	66.7●	-0.7	0.78
Do Acc	64.2	68.6●	-0.6	0.73
Capital	269.0	285.2●	+1.9	4.01
Do Accum	464.8	492.6●	+3.3	4.01
Exempt	224.2	238.6●	+2.0	7.04
Do Accum	485.2	518.8●	+4.5	7.04
Far Eastern	118.7	127.5	-9.4	1.02
Do Accum	128.0	135.3	-3.7	1.02
Fin & Prop	38.8	42.4	+0.3	4.04
Do Accum	66.3	64.3	+0.6	4.04
Gilt Capital	112.4	116.9	+0.4	7.27
Do Accum	123.1	128.0	+0.4	7.27
Gilt Income	102.3	106.2●	+0.6	10.34
Do Accum	184.0	189.8●	+0.9	10.34
High Yield	40.8	43.5●	+0.4	7.17
Do Accum	64.8	90.4●	+0.9	7.17
Income	173.6	184.2●	+1.9	6.53
Do Accum	512.4	543.2●	+5.3	6.53
Intl Earnings	129.6	138.2	+0.7	2.91
Do Accum	183.8	195.8	+1.0	2.91
Intl Growth	56.2	59.9	-0.5	1.59
Do Accum	57.5	61.3	-0.8	1.59
Japan Growth Accum	58.4	62.7●	-2.5	0.2
Natural Resources	193.0	205.6	-1.3	1.87
Do Accum	274.2	292.2	-1.8	1.87
N Amer Growth	108.6	114.1	-0.4	1.52
Do Acc	120.6	129.3	-0.4	1.52
Pref	107.0	114.0●	..	11.38
Do Accum	254.6	271.4●	+0.4	11.38
Scottish	316.6	337.4	+2.8	6.07
Do Accum	350.8	378.9	+3.6	6.07
Smaller Cos	147.1	156.7	+0.6	2.83
Do Accum	192.6	205.4	+0.7	2.83
Special Sits	86.6	92.3●	+0.4	2.92
Do Accum	88.9	94.7●	+0.5	2.92
European Growth	52.1	55.5	+0.4	1.4
TYNDALL & CO 18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Deltand Account	..	..	..	..
Money Account	..	..	..	..
Sterling Money	..	..	..	9.25
Dollar	..	..	..	8.9
VANGUARD TRUST Bath House, EC1A 2EU 01-236 5080				
Growth Inc (1)	132.7	138.8	..	2.6
Do Accum (1)	188.8	197.4	..	2.6
High Yield (1)	148.0	155.8	..	5.63
Special Sits (3)	278.9	293.0	..	2.78
Trustee (3)	99.0	104.1	..	4.06
Do Accum (3)	143.3	150.8	..	4.06
Amer & Gen	..	..	..	..
WARDLEY UT Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2 01-626 4411				
American Trust	61.5	65.4●	..	1.9
Far East & Gen	55.6	59.3	..	1.5
Natural Resources	46.0	48.9●	..	3.0
Income Trust	87.3	91.8	..	6.6
Japan Growth	60.0	64.5	..	0.2
Smaller Companies	112.4	120.9	..	1.5
Technology	29.7	31.9●	..	0.2
Australia	35.9	38.8	..	1.5
UK Trust	98.1	104.4●	..	2.9
European Growth	25.3	27.0	..	1.9
Hong Kong	..	..	..	..

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of the above). a Ex all (any two or more of the above).
Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Thursday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday in month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of the month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Gilts and equities forge ahead on hopes of cut in interest rates

By Derek Pain and Alison Eadie

The tantalizing scent of lower interest rates wafted around the City yesterday. Equities and Government stocks moved ahead strongly, fuelled by the hope that the firm pound, which climbed to its best level for more than a year, will prompt an interest cut this week.

But today's money supply figures hold the key. They are expected to show a sharp improvement but whether it will be enough to allow a base rate cut was the subject of keen debate yesterday.

Many stock market men, however, seized on the cheaper money hopes and the new account was launched on an air of expectancy and exuberance.

The FT 3-share index, despite three constituents going ex-dividend, gained 8.2 points to 1,010.7 points. And the more broadly based FT SE share index recorded an 11.6 points gain to 1,324.5 points.

Government stocks scored gains of up to £⅞. The Government Broker sold out the £600 million of "taplets" announced on Friday. One stock, the £200 million Exchequer 11 per cent 1990, is thought to have been taken up entirely by Salomon Brothers, the Wall Street security house. Japanese institutions are thought to have been big buyers of the other stocks.

Among blue chips, gains stretched frequently into double figures. Suggestions that the long rumoured bidder for Lucas Industries is about to move in lifted the shares 9p to 311p. Thorn EMI was again wanted on bid speculation, rising 15p to 479p.

But Hanson Trust failed to hold a 6p gain, settling for a 4p movement to 238p. The price was clipped in late trading on reports that today's figures will be accompanied by a rights issue. Estimates of the group's half-time profit stretch from £95 million to £110 million.

APV Holdings, strong lately, advanced a further 13p to 293p.

Bunzl romped 23p higher to 471p with a buoyant paper sector and on speculation that the offer document for Brammer, expected tommorrow, will forecast some healthy profits and dividend increases this year. Taxable profits were £27.6 million in 1984 and have been tipped to beat £40 million this year by some City analysts.

The increase in Bunzl's price means its offer for Brammer is valued at 398p a share against a market price yesterday at 368p, up 5p. Bunzl's bid for Brammer will lapse if Brammer's shareholders approve the recommended purchase of Energy Services & Electronics at the extraordinary meeting on June 14. ESE shares were unmoved at 110p.

Despite the imminent publication of Bunzl's offer document, the company rushed out a letter to Brammer shareholders yesterday warning them that they should not be misled by thier chairman's claim that the bid undervalues their company. At current levels the bid is worth £118.8 million.

Other paper stocks were strong with Bowater Industries up 6p at 274p, DRG up 5p at 176p, Reed International up 26p at 628p and De La Rue up 25p at 875p.

Stores were buoyant with Debenhams rising 8p to 396p on news that the Egyption Al-Fayed brothers, who own the House of Fraser department stores group, had taken a 4.9 per cent stake. Burton Group, which is bidding £500 million for Debenhams, shrugged off the news, rising 5p to 481p. The Al-Fayed's move is being seen as a blocking move or an attempt to force Burton to raise it price.

Habitat Mothercare, which has a 20 per cent option on the bid for Debenhams, was unchanged at 386p ahead of figures on Thursday.

Owen Owen, the Liverpool department store group, continued to attract speculative attention rising another 20p to 285p. Liberty also attracted speculative demand in a thin market. The shares bounced 75p higher to 625p. At the last set of results for the year to the beginning of February pretax profits were more than 80 per cent higher, due largely to the tourist boom at the Regent Street store.

Our Price continued its climb on optimism over expansion plans. The shares rose 20p to 540p. MFI gained 12p to 300p. Dixons added 15p to 717p on optimism about the company's rising market share after the Currys acquisition.

Empire Stores bounced 12p higher to 128p as the company told its story around stockbrokers' lunch tables.

Woolworth climbed back after the share split, ending the day at 418p after being 401p at the start of day's trading. Before the split the shares were 805p. The nil paid 8 per cent convertible also gained ground rising to 8¼p from 7¼p.

United Wire gained another 12p to 210p after last week's revelation by the company that it had received a bid approach. French Kier rose 7p to 160p on hopes of a bid from Trafalgar House.

United Scientific lost 12p to 211p on fading bid hopes. Novcros rose 5p to 168p ahead of results out today. Maynards rose 10p to 310p on hopes of a bid from Ward White, the shoe to motor accessories retailer which was thwarted in its last takeover attempt when Sears Group stepped in for Foster Brothers.

Life insurances were again strong on the Government's pension moves. Although best levels were not always held, the sector closed with an impressive array of plus signs.

Britannic was 15p higher at 774p; Equity Law 12p at 271p Legal and General Assurance 15p a 705p; Pearl Assurance 35p at 1,188p; Prudential Corporation 20p at 698p; Refuge Group 7p at 393p and Sun Life Assurance Society 23p at 867p.

Distillers Co was strong, up 6p at 295p, as more brokers took the view that last year's profits could hit the £240 million mark.

Oils perked up despite continuing reports of crude price cuts. Britoil, on suggestions the British Petroleum had bid for all the Government's 49 per cent shareholding, gained 16p to 236p at one time, finishing at 231p.

The Government has started the campaign to sell its stake but it had been assumed this would be through either a general offer for sale or a placing. But there has been excited talk that the share sale is near and could be achieved quickly.

Carlton Communications bounced 20p higher to 810p on more than doubled profits. Alphameric was up 10p at 153p ahead of results due on June 17.

● Business was slack on the London Traded Option Market with 5,822 contracts completed. Most active was British Telecom with 841 bargains. The currency option attracted 629 deal.

The advertising agency, Lowe Howard-Spink Campbell-Ewald, which obtained a full listing a year ago, has secured the entire Lloyds Bank account worth £6 million a year and the £1.5 million Whitworth (currants and raisins) account. Previously Lowe shared the Lloyds account with McCann Erikson. Lloyds now ranks as Lowe's third largest account, behind General Motors and Whitbread. The shares shot up 20p to 281p, still some way off the 315p high reached earlier this year, but well up from a 185p tender price last June. With £8 million new business under its belt this year already, Lowe's 1985 pretax profits could well be higher than the £2.75 million forecast by City analysts.

Shares of Mount Charlotte Investments, the hotel group, jumped 6p to 94p yesterday after Mr Peter Hilliar of Fielding, Newson-Smith & Co., the broker, had described them as "undeniably attractive". He Expects year's profits of around £15 million against £10 million last time. The company has expanded rapidly in recent years under the direction of its managing director, Mr Robert Peel.

Hanover Investments shares, 128p yesterday, have been a firm market of late as the group puts together its plans for a diversified range of estate agencies and financial services. There should be news this week that another specialist estate agency has joined the fold.

TEMPUS

Polly Peck courts City with simple virtue

Polly Peck's campaign to gain the City's trust took a tidy step forward yesterday. The acquisition of outstanding shares in Cornell and Inter-City comes after a similar mopping-up exercise at Wearwell. All Polly Peck's activities will now be wholly owned, and for the first time the company will have the investment virtue of simplicity.

The terms of the latest deals could, however, leave Cornell's shareholders with mixed feelings. The offer values their shares at 282p apiece, 8p less than the market was expecting. Disappointment should be countered with the thought that Polly Peck is offering a more generous multiple offer Cornell shares than the City accords its own. Cornell has just one activity, the bottling of mineral water, which has limited growth prospects. Yet the offer represents nearly seven times earnings, estimated by L. Meissel, the company's broker.

In Inter-City's case, the sums are not so easy, as the company, a marketing operation, was making a loss until recently. Anaylsts have little to go on. But here, too, the market was expecting more than it got. The offer values the shares at 54p, 1p less than the market price before the deal.

Polly Peck has recently shown analysts a range of fast growing activities, all based around the eastern Mediterranean. At 269p the shares, however, still stand at less than four times earnings. The new and tidier shape should help to appease the City's stubborn army of sceptics.

Carlton Communications

When your shares are selling on a multiple of 50 times historic earnings there is just a little bit of pressure to live up to expectations. Yesterday, Carlton Communications demonstrated that it has no difficulties in coping with such a demanding rating when it reported an almost effortless doubling of interim pretax profits to £4.9 million.

The company is well on line to achieve full-year profits or more than £11 million and there is nothing to suggest that its remarkable growth will slow too markedly. And for a business which is so clearly going well it was refreshing to hear Mr Michael Green, the chairman, admit that there were still gaps in the operations *which needed to be filled.*

On where those gaps lie, Mr Green was less forthcoming. However, with net cash of £14 million in hand and the share price riding high, up 10p at 800p, Carlton will have little difficulty in financing the necessary acquisitions.

After the £10 million purchase of Abekas Video Systems in the United States last December, the company might have been forgiven for easing up on its takeover activities, but the success of the deal seems only to have fired Carlton's enthusiasm to expand its empire.

The empire is becoming increasingly dominated by the television industry. Some 70 per cent of revenue is generated from this source and while the independent television companies are suffering from the lack of advertising, Carlton thrives as the demand for its services grow.

There is no shortage, it seems, in the number of new commercials which are being made and the quality and range of the company's production and post-production facilities are now making it more attractive for television companies wanting to make use of the latest technology in their title sequences.

The growth of satellite and cable television can only present more opportunities for the company to expand. More important, it has now established a firm foothold in the US, which accounts for 50 per cent of the world television industry.

One of the keys to Carlton's success has been its commitment to both capital investment, running at £4.5 million a year, and research and development which has allowed the company to keep its product range well ahead of the field.

It will be hard to persuade holders of the shares to part with their investment, and when buying opportunities arise they should not be spurned.

Bonds

Ahead of the most important set of money supply figure since banking April, the analysts' nerve cracked yesterday and they fell to fantasizing. Forecasts about a likely figure for Mo today provided the butt of wit.

Junior analysts are forecasting a sharp fall in banking May for Mo 90 per cent of which is made up of notes and coin and *hence a relatively gratified* Chancellor.

The Chancellor last week made it clear that he considered the narrower measures of money more important than traditional gauges of monetary growth like £M3.

But the analysts' forecasts are based on the weekly Bank of England Return for banking May, which shows notes in circulation down 1.6 per cent. This figure could be misleading, as the more grizzled of London's monetary analysts pointed out.

The market is convinced that the authorities are withdrawing notes at great speed from circulation and substituting coins in their place. But coins, of course, do not show up in the Bank's weekly Return.

Hence the actual outturn for Mo may well be far closer to unchanged, rather than a sharp fall.

Some of the analysts have gone further. They are touting the idea that the authorities should stage a rapid switch of all notes to coin, and make those coins eceptionally heavy into the bargain.

The analysts' anguish is understandable. The gilt market took off yet again yesterday for the wide blue yonder. Shorts rose by about ¼ point, while longs put on more than ½ point. The Government Broker, ipervious to arcane speculation over the monetary dials, sold out all three taps issued on Friday.

But did he wrp up £600 million in funding? The bulk of the market was convinced that the tap sales failed to cinstitute funding, firm monetary control purposes, because the Americans and the Japanese snapped up all three issues.

True or otherwise, the speculation obliges traders to take events in the US bond market into consideration when assessing prosects for gilts. Bonds are booming, on the back of the widespread belief in New York that the Fed will move shortly to cut the Fed funds rate yet again.

Faced with weakening oil prices, an easier gold price and the legacy of poor capital goods orders, bonds yesterday leaped by over a point.

Futures were up by over two points at one stage. New York credit markets are at present gipped by concerns about disinflation, rather than the usual gripes about rising prices.

The net effect of these factors is to exert a downward pressure indirectly on British interest rates. Higher sterling, and a one point gap between *gilt yields and three-month* interbank appear to forecast a bare rate cut.

COMPANY NEWS

● **AIRFLOW STREAMLINES:** Final 0.75p, making 1p (same) for year to Feb 28. Turnover £26.71 million (£25.94 million). Profit £624,034 (£620,038). Tax £220,891 (£214,787). EPS — basic 5.35p (5.56p) and fully diluted 4.12p (4.14p).

● **SEARS HOLDINGS:** The chairman, Mr Geoffrey Maitland Smith, says in his annual statement that the first quarter of 1985/86 was encouraging and indications of levels of trade are that the company should have another good year.

● **WETTERN BROS:** Final results for the year 1984. Dividend 1p (nil). Figures in £000. Turnover 2,490 (5,442). Trading profit 114 (133). Interest payable 20 (43). Tax 8 (nil). Extraordinary debits 33 (42). EPS 5.0p (5.2p). The board reports that turnover was lower than in 1983 due to the cessation of the builders merchants' activities in Nottingham. The trading contribution from the quarrying operations was increased and group borrowings have virtually been eliminated. The profits earned during the year mean that the final part of the accumulated loss in the group profit and loss account has now been eliminated.

● **HAWTIN:** Half-year to March 31. Figures in £000. Turnover 210,178 (8,219). Operating profit 658 (619). Interest payable 163 (114). Pretax profit 495 (505). Tax 165 (130). Minorities credit 2 (nil). EPS 0.64p (0.69p).

● **SOUTHEND STADIUM:** Year 1984. Dividend 3.5p (same) on preference and 0.55p (same) on ordinary shares. Figures in £000. Turnover 518 (542). Pretax profit 116 (147). The company has lodged with Southend-on-Sea Council an outline planning application for the redevelopment of its 9.45-acre site, currently used as a greyhound racing track.

● **LEISURE DEVELOPMENT:** This leisure investment company backed by five important financial institutions, has acquired 'The Median Rajneesh Body Centre' in Hampstead, London, in a £420,000 deal. It will be renamed as Ragdale Health Club.

● **KENNEDY BROOKES:** The board says all divisions of the company are trading well and the level of trading in both the restaurants and outside catering is running significantly above that of comparative periods last year.

● **AULT AND WIBORG GROUP:** The company has sold the goodwill of its container coats and metal decorating inks business to Arthur Holden and Sons. The consideration is £400,000 payable in cash over two years.

● **MORE O'FERRAL:** A conditional agreement has been entered into with a subsidiary of Reed International to acquire the 50 per cent of the issued ordinary share capital of Adshel which it does not already own. The consideration of £3 million is to be satisfied by the issue of 4.41 million ordinary shares and these have been conditionally placed on behalf of Reed, principally with institutional investors.

● **FKI ELECTRICALS:** Final 0.275p, making 0.5p (0.425p) for year to March 31. Figures in £000. Turnover 18,525 (10,699). Pretax profit 3,478 (2,264). The results for the first two months of the current year indicate a further substantial increase in turnover.

● **TR NATURAL RESOURCES INVESTMENT TRUST:** Final 4p, making 7.5p (same) for year to March 31. The board intends to recommend an interim of 3.5p for the year to March 31, 1986, which will be paid in Jan, 1986. Figures in £000. Dividends and interest received 4,417 (4,460). Other forms of income 87 (110). Total income 4,503 (4,570). Expenses and interest payable 518 (544). Tax 1,605 (1,465). EPS 7.87p (8.48p).

● **SAMUELSON GROUP:** An announcement is shortly to be made in Australia concerning the proposed acquisition of John Barry Group. JBG is based in Sydney and has two main areas of business – the sale of professional equipment to the film, television and presentation industries and the rental of film production equipment. Outline terms have been agreed, including a consideration of about Aus. $4 million (£2.1 million).

● **ROWLAND GAUNT:** The company has acquired Henry Barrie Ltd for £52,500, satisfied by the issue of 105,000 ordinary shares. Barrie carries on business as men's and boy's clothing retailers from leasehold premises in Manchester.

● **REDFEARN NATIONAL GLASS:** Industrial Equity (Pacific) has increased its holding of ordinary shares to 875,000 (14.4 per cent).

● **HALMA:** Halma is to acquire Microphax, which is situated in Abingdon and its main business is the sale and distributions or microfiche readers. The consideration of £700,000 will be satisfied by the issue of Halma ordinary shares. A maximum additional £400,000 is payable if the profile for the year to Sept 30 next equals or exceeds £320,000.

● **J W WASSALL:** Dividend 1p (same) for year to Jan. 26. Figures in £000. Turnnover 3,013 (2,662). Pretax profit 88 (82), after deficit on sales of properties 3 (13 surplus credit). Tax 6 (6). EPS 7.57p (6.94p). The 500,000 deferred ordinary shares of 5p will be converted into 500,000 ordinary of 5p each on July 5, the day after the payment of the dividend for the 52 weeks to Jan 26.

● **FISHERMEN'S PETROLEUM CO:** No dividend for 1984. Pretax loss £4,116 (loss £33,321). Tax £1,204 (1,953). Loss per share 1.70p (11.29p). Kerr-McGee Oil (UK), the operator for Block 12/29, will be drilling a second exploratory well on the Block commencing in early June. The costs of that well are estimated at between £7 million and £9.5 million. However, the company has a carry agreement with Kerr-McGee Oil (UK), for 3 per cent of the costs. Fishermen's percentage interest in the licence for the Block. The results of the drilling programme will not be known until next November.

● **GODFREY DAVIS:** Godfrey Davis (Holdings), Britain's largest operator of park home residential estates, has acquired the Tower Residential Park Home at Hullbridge, Rayleigh, Essex. This £750,000 acquisition will add a further 200 homes, bringing the company's total to more than 2,900 homes at 24 residential parks.

● **LAIRD GROUP:** At the annual meeting, the chairman, Sir Ian Morrow, said that since the year-end further development had taken place and three new acquisitions had been made. Plastic Profiles, in the US, had widened Laird's product range in sealing systems and the acquisition of Slic had increased both production capacity and the market share in France. The acquisition of Fullarton Fabrication in Britain, represents a new venture for the group, being a substantial sub-contractor to the computer industry.

● **AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL CO:** The chairman told the shareholders at the annual meeting that profit for the present year will be adversely affected by increased costs associated with the dry conditions, the early sale of cattle at lower weights and the lower returns from summer crops. However, prospects for wheat crops are favourable.

● **ADAMS AND GIBBON:** the board of Keep has announced the terms of increased and final offers to acquire Adams. The terms are 260p in cash for each ordinary and 100p in cash for each pref. share. The loan note alternative remains available for shareholders who accept the increased offers.

COMMODITIES REVIEW

Stability under Unctad at an unrealistic price

Over many years the literature on commodity pacts and prices has grown to mountainous proportions. Today I intend to add to the pile. The pretext is an interesting report from our old and tireless friends at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The reason is that Unctad has advanced a relatively novel *thesis, even if the solution is as* old as the hills.

In a nutshell – and you need to condense Unctad reports, written as they are for the translator in economic officialese – the argument is that the unreliability of commodity export revenues owes more to supply instability than price instability. Therefore, measures to tackle such fluctuations in revenue, for example by compensatory financing, should be addressed to factors affecting production.

Most commodity pacts, by contrast, start at the other end. They set price ranges for coffee, cocoa or whatever, the range being a compromise between political necessity and economic judgement, and then try, more often than not unsuccessfully, to devise mechanisms for keeping prices within the prescribed range.

The difference in approaches is partly explained by Unctad's research. The oragnization compiled indices of export revenue instability for individual commodities and for various levels of supplier aggregation: world, developing world, least developed countries and so on. The conclusion was simple: "The lower the level of aggregation, the greater appears to be the compounding effect of volume instability on export earnings".

In other words, if you are a small country exporting bananas your revenue is more likely to be determined by supply than by price than if you are a big country, or if one looks at world supply in aggregate. "Small exporters", the report says," tend to have greater volume instability than major producers".

For individual countries, it appears, the supply of commodities has a low price elasticity. But demand tends to be more elastic than for total world demand. So while demand cause price instability supply shifts case export volume instability.

So what, you may ask. Well, this is where the difficulties arise. First, it might not seem a shattering revelation tha supply is a problem in commodity markets. It is only too evident that the propensity of farmers, often encouraged by their governments in the developed as well as developing worlds, to grow much coffee, cocoa, and sugar is one important reason for these market's tribulations.

Second, what can be done about the supply side? Unctad is nothing if not ambitious, despite the virtual demise of its Intergrated Prigramme for Commodities. It proposes a new compensatory facility, in addition to those run by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, Stabex (the Lomé Convention scheme), and individual commodity agreements.

In one sense, the report is realistic about the tasks to be undertaken. It recognizes that for over-supply the remedy is to take material off the market. Similarly, for under-supply the answer is investment in projects which reduce the impact of drought, or frost or pests. It is less realistic about stabilizing the price of inputs such as fertilizer or fuel: are all factors of production globally to be governed by Unctad?

The problem can be put another way: Unctad says: "It would be important that national adjustment programmes be internationally compatible to ensure that resources moving out of production of one commodity in persistent over-supply are not used to create, or accentuate, a surplus elsewhere." Surely, one is talking here about a more potent body than a mere compensatory facility?

In the end, however, I think there is a more important and ironic flaw. Unctad sensibly says that assistance to relieve export revenue instability must be conditional on a programme designed to eliminate its causes. But "conditionality" as practised by other organizations is the *bête noire* of many of Unctad's Third World members. Will they accept conditionality from Unctad's proposed facility? I have my doubts.

**Compensatory Financing of Export Earnings Shortfalls,* United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Geneva (TD/B/1029/Rev.1).

Michael Prest

APPOINTMENTS

Texas Instruments: Mr Jerry Junkins has been elected president and chief executive officer.

N. M. Rothschild & Sons: Mr Christopher Wigan has joined the board.

Elbar Industrial: Mr Peter Grant, a deputy chairman of Lazard Brothers, has been elected a director and chairman. He succeeds Mr R. P. L. McMurtrie who will be a consultant to the company. Etienne Allard has been elected executive deputy chairman and Mr Peter Timms managing director. Viscount Hood, Mr R. J. McNeile and Mr J. Berkeley Stewart have resigned from the board.

NCB Superannuation Investments: Dr Paul Whitney becomes managing director of CIN Industrial Investments and Mr Barry Southcott managing director of Marketable Securities.

Suter Light Engineering Group: Mr Tony Owen has been appointed managing director.

Mercantile Credit: Mr Charles Tidbury, a director of Barclays Bank, has been appointed a non-executive director.

Stewart Wrightson Holdings: Mr Alan Gregory, chairman BP Oil, and Sir David Wolfson, chairman of Steinberg Group, become non-executive directors. Mr George Jones, managing director of the group subsidiary, Stewart Wrightson (Surety & Specie), has been appointed an executive director.

Harrisons & Crosfield: Mr H. McKeag, Mr J. Miller and Mr W. Pull have been made directors. Mr P. T. Gunton has retired as director.

Frere Cholmeley: Mrs S. M. Taylor, Mr N. E. Valner and Miss S. C. Hamilton have been made partners.

Powerdrive PSR: Mr Peter Horton succeeds Mr John Pigott as managing director. Mr Pigott remains chairman.

Camping Gaz (GB): Mr R. J. Williams has been appointed chairman in addition to his responsibilities as managing director.

City & Metropolitan Building Society: Sir Murray Fox has been elected president in succession to the late Mr Fred Cleary. Mr John Smethers, a director, succeeds Sir Murray as chairman.

The Charterd Institute of Patent Agents: Mr P. R. B. Lawrence has been elected president, succeeding Mr A. H. Duncan. Mr K. B. Weatherald has been elected vice president.

Leeds Group: Mr Robert Wade has become chairman and managing director.

ITT Cannon: Mr Neil Sutherland is the new managing director with effect from Monday.

Thorn EMI Rentals Division: Mr John Barnes is managing director from August 1.

Merton Associates (Consultants): Mr John G W Gelling became a director.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
Abbeycrest 10p Ord (68a)	104
Asda Property 20p Ord (172)	184+2
Aspen Communications 5p Ord (125a)	174
Bilgden Ind 25p Ord (130)	112+2
Brit Aerospace 50p Ord (573) 82pd	218
Brown (C Cash) 10p Ord (79a)	86+3
Datron Int 5p Ord (84a)	100
Domino Print Sciences 5p Ord (200)	280+10
Electron House 10p Ord (117a)	123–2
Holmes & Marchent 10p Ord (300a)	409+5
Howard Group 10p Ord (128a)	195
Huntleigh Technology 5p Ord (150a)	200
Metalprint 1p Ord (268a)	35–2
Moorgate Grp 5p Ord (120a)	182+3
Noracot Hotels 50p Ord (113a)	116+2
Perkins J Meats 10p Ord (41a)	48+1
Persimmon 10p Ord (110)	104–2
Prestwich Hldgs 5p Ord (100)	86–1
Sherpod Computer 10p Ord (145a*)	183
Viewplan 5p Ord (120a)	102–7
Wayne Kerr 10p Ord (130a)	137
Wyko Group 10p Ord (68a)	66

Issue price in parentheses a Unlisted Securities, * by tender.

Base Lending Rates

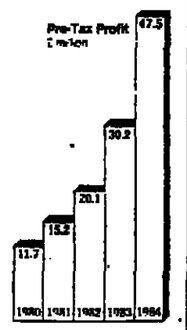
ABN Bank	12½%
Adam & Company	12½%
Barclays	12½%
BCCI	12½%
Citibank Savings	†12½%
Consolidated Crds	12½%
Continental Trust	12½%
Co-operative Bank	12½%
C. Hoare & Co	12½%
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Kenneth Middleton, of Madeley, near Crewe, who won the Week Four two tickets to Bangkok and £1,000. He is head of music at Trentham High School, Stoke on Trent.

50,000 attempts to crack code

Our Codename Enigma competition has reached the end of its six-week run – and the final tally of responses over the Telecom lines was 50,000. Winners of last week's final competition will be announced next week.

The winner for Week Five was Mr Edward Good, of Buckland Hill, Maidstone, Kent. His completed pass sentence was: "Putting aside *Yorkshire puddings, Britain's* enemies cannot stop The Times' circulation rising because Bernard Levin's it". His prize is two British Airways return flights to Barbados and £1,000 in cash.

ENIGMA

Winners of the runner-up prizes of British Telecom Super 4 Inphones were:

Mr Francis Birkett, Trinity College, Cambridge; Mr S J Bolter, Cantord Heath, Poole, Dorset; Mr Milton Dowle, East Acton Lane, London, W3; Mr D Webster, Broadfield Road, Catford, SE6; Mr Nigel Lloyd, Chatsworth Drive, Summerhill, nr Wrexham, Clwyd; Mr M Hickman, Saffron House, Lancaster Road, Dorchester, Dorset; Mr O Killeya, South Bank Road, Bury, Lancs; Mr R S Seddon, Ashbourne Hanly Road, Marlow, Bucks; Mr C McKernan, Horsley Road, Ovingham, Northumberland; Mr Mike Dixon, Harington Road, Chiswick, W4; Mrs Judy Trail, Paddocks Way, Ashstead, Surrey; Mrs Susan Fleetwood, Albert Road, New Milton, Hants; Mrs Caroline Goddden, Kingscourt Mansions, Fulham Road, London SW6; Mr Martin Akers, Petersfield Road, Staines, Middx; Mr S Reeve, Spot Close, Ravensthorpe, Northampton.

Mr John Fowling, Almond Avenue, Ickenham, Uxbridge, Middx; Mrs A Barkner, Great Hollins, Bracknell, Berks; Mr G O Heyward, The Barn, Anroth, Harworth, Dyted; Mr B Greenfield, Foxfield Close, Northwood, Middx; Mrs Clare Kirby, Clarence Road, London, SW19; Mr David Smart, Gainton Street, London, SW18; Mr W R Seary, Belmont Road, London, SW15; Mrs J Macmillan, Church Lane, Barming, Maidstone, Kent; Mr P E Wild, Firham Close, Royston, Barnsley; Mr V A Vanderpump, Park Road, Godalming, Surrey.

Last week's solution: 1233758671.

COMPUTER HORIZONS/1

Can Sinclair ride the storm?

Sir Clive Sinclair is used to commanding the centre of the computer stage. Last week, however, the guru of the British home computer market would have preferred to be out of the limelight but the focus of attention will remain on him and his company for many weeks as Sinclair Research attempts to pull itself out of its current financial difficulties.

The disclosure last week that Sinclair's principal computer manufacturers – Thorn EMI, Timex and AB Electronics – had extended the company's credit by about two months sent a wave of panic through the home computer industry.

Most participants in the drama were attempting to play it down. Thorn EMI, extremely cautious about a nervous City which might panic if it thought it was injecting cash into Sinclair, made it clear that it wanted money for debt and not equity. The company had looked at Sinclair nine months ago and found it attractive but times have changed.

Thorn EMI insisted that Sinclair's plight was temporary. For its part, Sinclair had to respond by declaring: "The cash situation is rather tight at present. However, we are completely confident that the agreements we have reached with our suppliers will satisfactorily take care of the situation."

There was a lot of confidence washing around in the computer business during the week although there did not appear to be a long queue of people willing to buy a stake in Sinclair. Sir Clive emphasised he wanted to sell £15 million worth for future growth, denying that he needed the cash to pay his debts. The Thorn EMI, Timex debt and the Sinclair bank overdraft amounts to about £15 million. Timex is trying to sell some of its stock of Sinclair computers overseas to recover some of that debt.

During the week Sir Clive remained bullish about the home computer market and about his share of it. His confident predictions were supported, at least in part, by the predictions of stockbroker Wood Mackenzie. It forecast that 1.2 million computers would be sold this calendar year, worth £430 million including software and peripherals. That represented, including machines already sold, a computer

THE WEEK

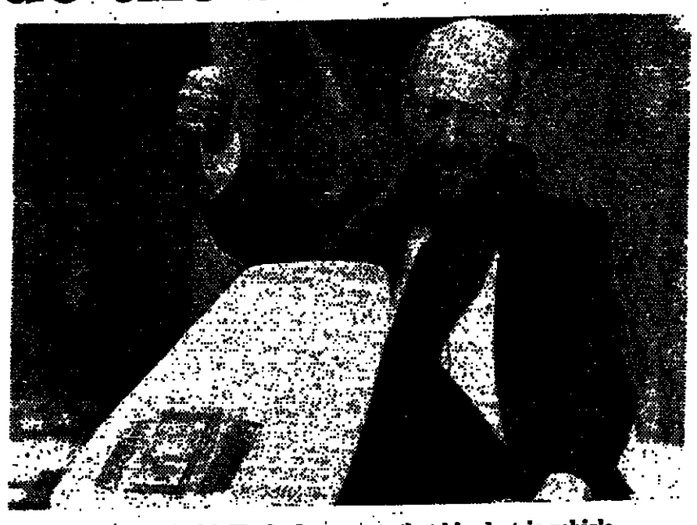
By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

in one in every five homes in Britain. Penetration would rise by the end of next year to one in four with the market being worth £540 million.

The industry is holding its breath to see if Sinclair can ride the storm. Thorn EMI has effectively rejected a stake in the group; Sir Clive claims that GEC was never approached. So who could be left?

The 45 institutional investors who own about 10 per cent of Sinclair Research – which was worth £13.5 million two years ago and about a third of that today – do not appear overkeen to inject more money. Sir Clive last week maintained he had not heard from these investors; certainly no words of complaint.

Those shareholders had a meeting with Sinclair management in mid-March when they learned that the company made £7.9 million pre-tax profit in the nine months of trading prior to Christmas but that it had to write off £1 million because of price cuts after Christmas, £1.5 million because of after-Christmas returns and



Sir Clive and C5: He denies reports that his electric-vehicle company is for sale

£1 million because Sinclair's main distributor, Prism, ceased trading.

Sir Clive claimed then that the shareholders had been confident. That confidence has been subject to a little strain in the last week. He will be ensuring that it does not wane too far and would be expected to have another shareholders' meeting fairly soon to outline the company's situation.

While they only own about 10 per cent of the company and have no authority to impose a new management on Sinclair, the idea will have occurred to shareholders. There is a feeling among some of the company's creditors that fresh blood is needed.

It is a mood which has not gone unrecognized at Sinclair, since part of the package offered with the sale of £15 million worth of equity is the appointment of a new chief executive, with Sir Clive remainig as chairman.

This month will be difficult for Sinclair. Creditors want some payment and the company will soon have to order microchips for the production of next Christmas's stock. However, with the £30 million stock carried at present it will have some leeway, although poor sales, as is traditional in the summer months, will squeeze cashflow.

Many are watching Sinclair's performance, not least the person who recommended him for this knighthood as an example of British endeavour. It does not do to disappoint Mrs Thatcher.

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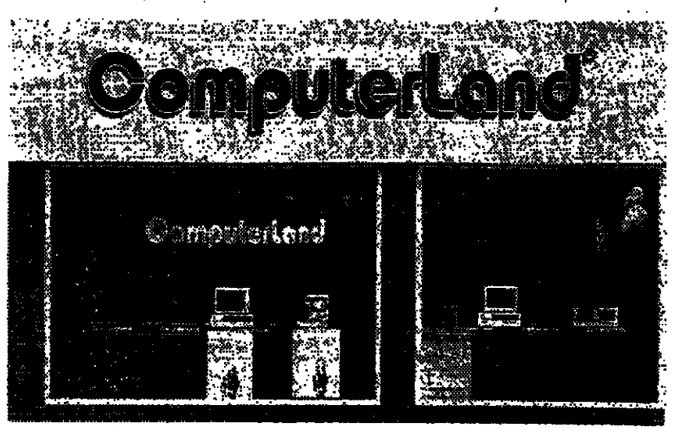
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Price cuts hint at new IBM range

By Kevan Pearson

The latest special offers and price cuts on IBM's personal computer range have heightened speculation that the company is clearing the decks for the launch of its second generation micro.

Last month it cut prices of its PC Junior and Portable PC models by up to 27 per cent. In the UK that will mean £500 off the Portable; the PC Junior has never been sold over here. Both models have been disappointing compared with sales of the normal PC and just over a month ago the company stopped production of the PCjr.

Speculation now says the company could be ready to launch a new Portable – or possibly two models – which would replace the old one and PCjr. But it will not launch the systems until it has cleared stocks of the old and has built up sufficient numbers of the new machines to prevent embarrassing delays like those still being felt with its most powerful PC, the PC/AT, launched last September.

Two versions of the new portable feature in current speculation. The cheaper one uses a liquid crystal display and an enhanced version of the basic PC chip, while the most sophisticated machine has a gas plasma display, similar to that used on some IBM computer terminals and will use the same powerful processor as is used in the PC/AT. Both will use 3.5in disc drives, instead of the 5.25in drives of the normal PC.

The PC/XT also received a boost recently with free software, again indicating that IBM is trying to boost sales to reduce inventories. A month earlier it cut prices on the XT. But the company is not expected to launch a full-scale replacement of the PC line until the final quarter of the year, when it will have sufficient stocks.

News of the latest price cuts is expected to put further pressure on Apple which has announced that it expects a 45 per cent drop in profits in the current quarter. IBM last cut the price of PCjr just before Christmas, bringing the price down below $1,000, putting heavy pressure on the venerable but still popular Apple II.

But Apple hopes to rectify its main problem of poor penetration into the profitable corporate market with its Macintosh range with the new Jazz integrated applications package from Lotus.

Jazz is now on sale in the US, where industry analysts, however, feel that it will not have an appreciable impact on new sales of the Macintosh for several months.

Speaking the same space language

By Richard Sarson

At midnight on March 13 next year, the European Giotto satellite keeps a short appointment with Halley's comet. There will be a few hours of onboard experiments and measurements before Giotto is destroyed by the comet's atmosphere.

If experiments fail scientists will have to wait 76 years before Halley's comet comes round again. Because there is no margin for error and no second chance, they have to check out every instrument on board, every sub-system and the satellite itself before the launch, simulating the behaviour of the satellite to anticipate any problem. Finally, after launch, scientists monitor its performance "payload" of experiments. This is done by computers, with as little human intervention as possible.

In the early days of space, the computer programs for all these checkout procedures were written for each launch. But now the European Space Technology Centre at Noordwijk in Holland has devised ETOL, the European Test Operations Language, which standardizes all these tasks. It is now no longer necessary to rewrite the test programmes for every satellite that goes up.

The ETOL language has been used for some years for the European Space Agency's own launches and has contributed to the high success rate of satellites launched for ESA by Ariane, the French launch vehicle. Ten consecutive satellites have gone up successfully, which contrasts with the recent dismal series of failures in the American programme.

The major impact of the language, and other ESA standards for tele-monitoring and tele-commands, will be to reduce costs. High costs did not matter overmuch while space was a branch of research and European governments were prepared to pour in money to demonstrate their dedication to science and the European ideal. But now the task is to compete in world markets and get low-cost commercial satellites up for such mundane tasks as telephone communication and broadcasting.

The existence of a European standard is particularly important at the moment because of President Reagan's invitation to the Europeans to co-operate in the American Space Station. The Americans will demand test standards but do not themselves have a single checkout language to compare with ETOL. If ESA could persuade NASA to use ETOL as the language for the Space Station, then a European standard could become a world standard. Usually, computing standards come the other way: from America to Europe.

A de facto European standard is also emerging in checkout hardware. Eighty per cent of European satellites have been sent up under the control of hardware supplied by Information Technology Ltd, a British computer company, who have specialized in the space market.

They make a range of so-called "fault-tolerant" or "non-stop" computers, which are designed to recover automatically, whenever any component in the machine goes wrong. This is clearly necessary for catching data streaming down to earth from instruments on an orbiting satellite.

ETOL runs on ITL's machines which has given them the commercial edge to win such a high proportion of the European space market. Even the nationalistic French use ITL.

Last month ITL called a conference of European space and computer scientists in London where Geoffrey Pattie, Minister of State for Trade and Industry and Information Technology, and other speakers emphasized the importance of standards like ETOL to reduce costs and attract new customers for the mature European space industry which is emerging from its cocoon of governmental protection.

COMPUTER HORIZONS/2

Danger lies in an angry operator

Insurance experts have identified a *multi-million* pound threat to Britain's business world – that hell hath no fury like a computer operator scorned.

The danger lies in small companies where no-one understands the computer except the person employed to operate it. He or she have at their fingertips the power to make or break the company if resentment *builds up about pay.*

One form of revenge is to explode a "logic bomb" – feeding false information which can totally distort the forecasts and records on which the company relies.

At the root of the problem is Britain's booming computer sales, which persuades companies to switch all their data from files to tape or disc. Often, the company can only just afford the system and an operator to work it.

Now a firm of London insurance brokers has come up with an insurance policy which includes cover for "malicious erasure, distortion or corruption of data."

Mr Andrew Paddick, of Wigglesworth Insurance who devised the policy, said: "Research has shown that the damage done to companies by disgruntled and resentful employees can be very costly indeed, sometimes putting the company out of business.

"The scenario is this: The girl has all her company's financial information and records at her fingertips and feels she knows more than the managing director. Yet she knows her salary does not reflect that.

"On a whim she decides to foul up the business by feeding false information into the computer. It is known as the sour grapes syndrome."

Mr Adrian Norman, of the data protection committee of the British Computer Society said logic bombs posed a threat to business.

"The problem is that now there are employees with low levels of seniority who have access to information which previously was in the hands only of the financial director and other very senior executives. The situation has democratised white-collar crime", he said.



High fliers will be competing again this year in the Digital Schneider Trophy air race over the Solent on June 23 – two competitors are shown here in a race preview. The race, which was world famous in the 1920s and 1930s, was won outright by Britain in 1931 by the Supermarine S6B, forerunner of the Spitfire. Last year Digital Equipment (DEC) revived the event and this year are offering prizes totalling £10,000. In 1984 the race was classed as the largest closed circuit air race, with more than 60 entries. With the closing date for entries this year being June 10, there are 58 declared entries to date although one of the veterans, the Spitfire, has withdrawn.

Mainframe to mini . . . the boom is over

From Dennis Kneale, John Marconi and Randall Smith
New York, AP

The once unthinkable is becoming irrefutable; the computer boom is over. And while computer makers blame short-term causes that may fade soon, important changes in the market pose sticky problems in the long run.

The major segments of the computer market – big mainframes, midrange minicomputers and workstations, and personal computers – all show signs of sluggishness even though they differ in price, function and customers. Some market researchers are lowering their projections for growth. The second quarter of this year is proving tough for some big makers, which may have to wait until the fourth quarter for a significant upturn.

Grant Bushee of Infocorp, a market research firm, cites revenue and profit trends of the five largest producers: IBM, Digital, Hewlett-Packard, Burroughs and Apple. Their revenue grew by 17 to 19 per cent annually from 1981 to 1984 but rose only 6 per cent in the first quarter of 1985 from a year earlier, Bushee says. The companies' overall profit, which grew by 16 and 24 per cent annually in the years 1981 to '84 shrank by 16 per cent in the first quarter.

Despite slowdown, the computer business is expected to grow at a rate that the oil, motor and steel industries would envy. Gartner Group, the market researchers, estimates that the industry – including software and communications as well as hardware – grew at a 19 per cent average annual rate from 1981 to 1984. Gartner recently lowered its 1985 growth estimate to 14 per cent from 17 per cent because of the poor first half.

Different market segments are slowing for many of the same short-term reasons. Among them are a switch to a new generation of machines, customer concern over the economy's lack-lustre growth and the strength of the US dollar.

But more fundamental forces are at work as well. An industry change to outright sales of big computers, instead of leasing, makes short-term results more volatile.

The popularity of office personal computers, a market that barely existed five years ago, has brought big changes. High-powered personal computers like IBM's PC AT rival the power of larger and more expensive minicomputers, posing a competitive threat.

"We're spending (on computers) at about a 25 per cent lower rate than in previous years", says John Hammitt, a vice-president of Pillsbury, Minneapolis.

The computer business is at one of these rare periods when the industry is in transition, says William Krause, president of 3COM, an office computer networksystems company.

He contends that big customers are pausing to work out how to tie personal computers into bigger computers and he faults manufacturers for focusing more attention on a technical debate about wiring schemes than on solutions for their customers. "We've been having wire wars and the customers are fed up with all that."

They say that computer makers have contributed to their own troubles. A plethora of rumoured or announced products which have not appeared, dubbed vaporware, has confused customers. In some cases, manufacturers' performance claims have fallen short and their unbridled optimism has aggravated the problems.

The slowdown is worse in the consumer market than in the business market, hurting Apple in particular.

IBM will not ship its new Sierra, or 3090 series, until the fourth quarter. Meanwhile, customers are not buying its older machines. IBM, which had an 18 per cent profit decline in the first quarter and says its second quarter will be stable at best, predicts big gains in the fourth quarter.

Bushee predicts strong increases a year from now. Until then, however, he sees an industry-wide "holding pattern", partly because of the frustration of customers who cannot easily connect mainframes with desktop machines.

It doesn't pay to fall in love with the big screen

USER HOSTILE

by Brian Appleyard

Well there it is – all green and inviting, the cursor flashing expectantly and the cooling fans humming assiduously. The punter has become a user.

In the end it was compatibility that made the sale. Plucked from the dense blizzard of highly-tuned computer vocabulary, it seemed to offer a kind of certainty. After all, even after the countless clammy confrontations with salesmen and software and software girls, I had only the vaguest faiths that I would even be able to use the thing once I had found somewhere to put the bits of expanded polystyrene packing. Given such a haunting lack of confidence, some relationship to the big warm bosom of IBM seemed sort of essential.

Unfortunately the legendary PC itself is a clumsy beast – big and ugly in its confidence, far beyond the caring whether it looks pretty or not. It is also not cheap, although lately discounted prices have been dropping as the announcement of its successor approaches. But really there was no contest once the masterpieces of Ettore Sottsass had been spotted.

Sottsass designs for Olivetti. Specifically, he designed the M24 PC and the M21 portable. The latter is a modern classic; it



exudes calm, sensible design, an effect lightened by exquisite use of materials and colours. I almost bought the portable on the basis that it was the next best thing to the Matisse I cannot yet quite afford.

But hundreds of hours of writing made the larger screen essential so it was the M24, not quite such a gem but still the best looking PC around. There seemed also to be quite a number of technical justifications but I was past caring. I wanted the final decision to be capricious.

But as we all know, that is only half the battle. Next comes the software and the printer. When it comes to word processing, every computer dealer appears to say Wordstar in his sleep. If they had an 'escape' or 'help' key in their foreheads, pressing it would probably make them talk in Wordstar codes.

Unfortunately friendliness is not its long suit. Even its staunchest defenders admit it speaks a language all it's own and, as Wittgenstein was at pains to point out, languages are forms of like. On balance I think I am too young to have to eke out the rest of my days as a piece of software.

Instead I went for MultiMate which has proved relatively straightforward. Buying it, however, was another matter. For, just as my decision was made, the MultiMate International Corporation brought out a new version. Discounts vanished overnight and my software bill seemed about to double. The old MultiMate had apparently been sold out everywhere and the new one, apart from being expensive because nobody was discounting, had features which I did not really need. Luckily I found an old edition at a price only marginally above the discounted level advertised.

The printer was to have been a Canon PW 1080A but I allowed a dealer to talk me in to a Smith Corona D200 which also combined draft and Near Letter Quality modes. NLQ evaded me, however, until a computer-literate neighbour worked out the code. The Smith-Corona instructions are quite abysmal, defying rational analysis at every stage. On this front both Olivetti and MultiMate were reasonable, if a little unnecessarily complex in organization. MultiMate, for example, even has instructions for its instructions.

Oh, and I bought *Flight Simulator* and *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*. The other advantage of compatibility is that IBM has all the best games. These two are threatening to destroy the equilibrium of the household and render me incapable of consecutive thought.

Inevitably the initial feeling is that it has all been a terrible mistake. Hours flit by as I plough through the telephone directories of instructions. It seems it will never become what it must – second nature. But the breakthrough came when I found myself idly sitting down at the keyboard in an odd moment to create an ideas file for one book I am writing. It was the computer that made me do this; without it I could not have stood the thought of generating more paper.

What also came to me in that moment was that Apple has made a mistake. The whole user friendly ideology is misguided. Computers are different from other things; they only do things differently and only by accepting this can you find out what they are capable of. An excess of user amiability might actually reduce one's chances of accepting what it can offer. We do not, for example, expect digital watches to be somehow related to their circular ancestors.

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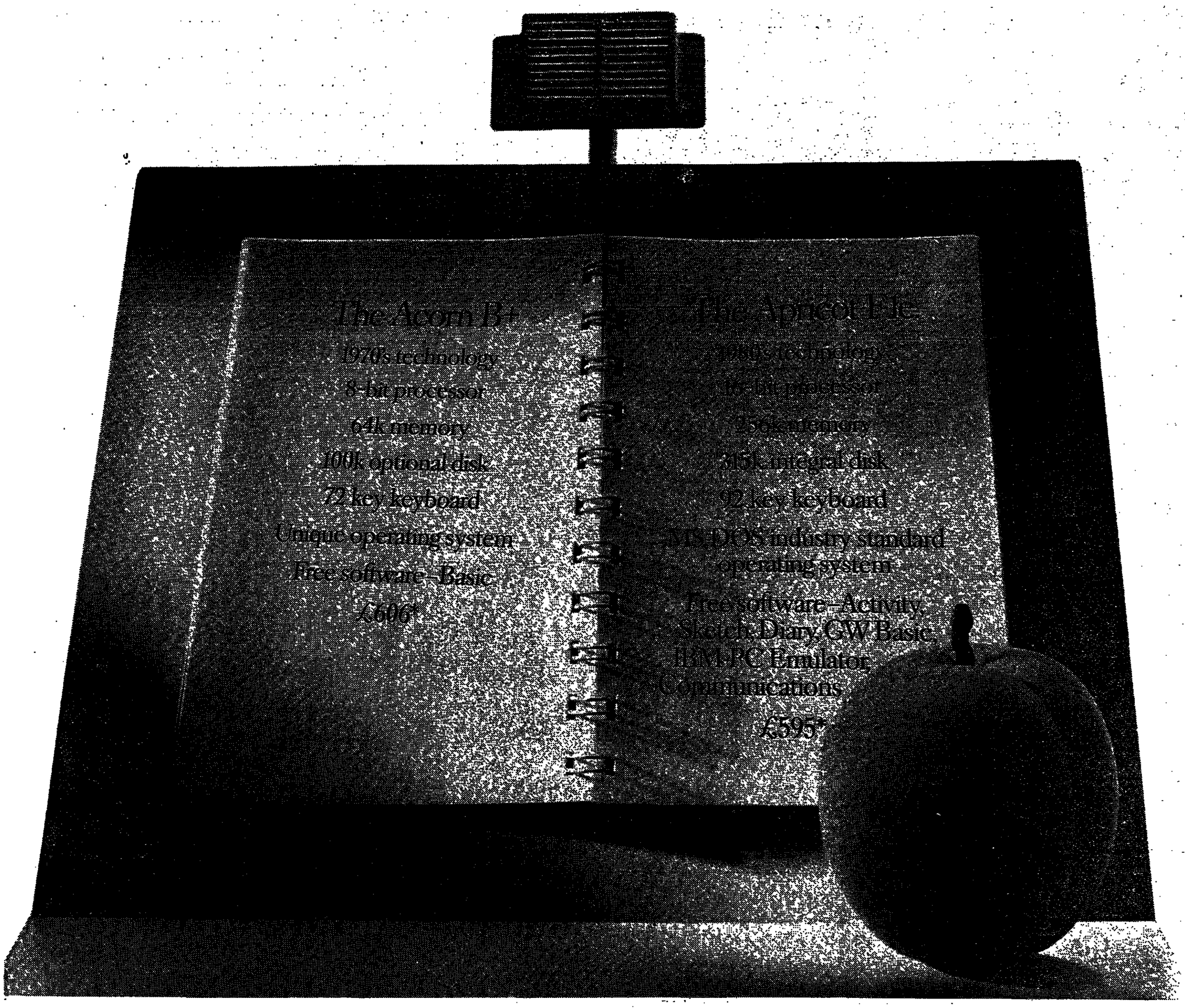
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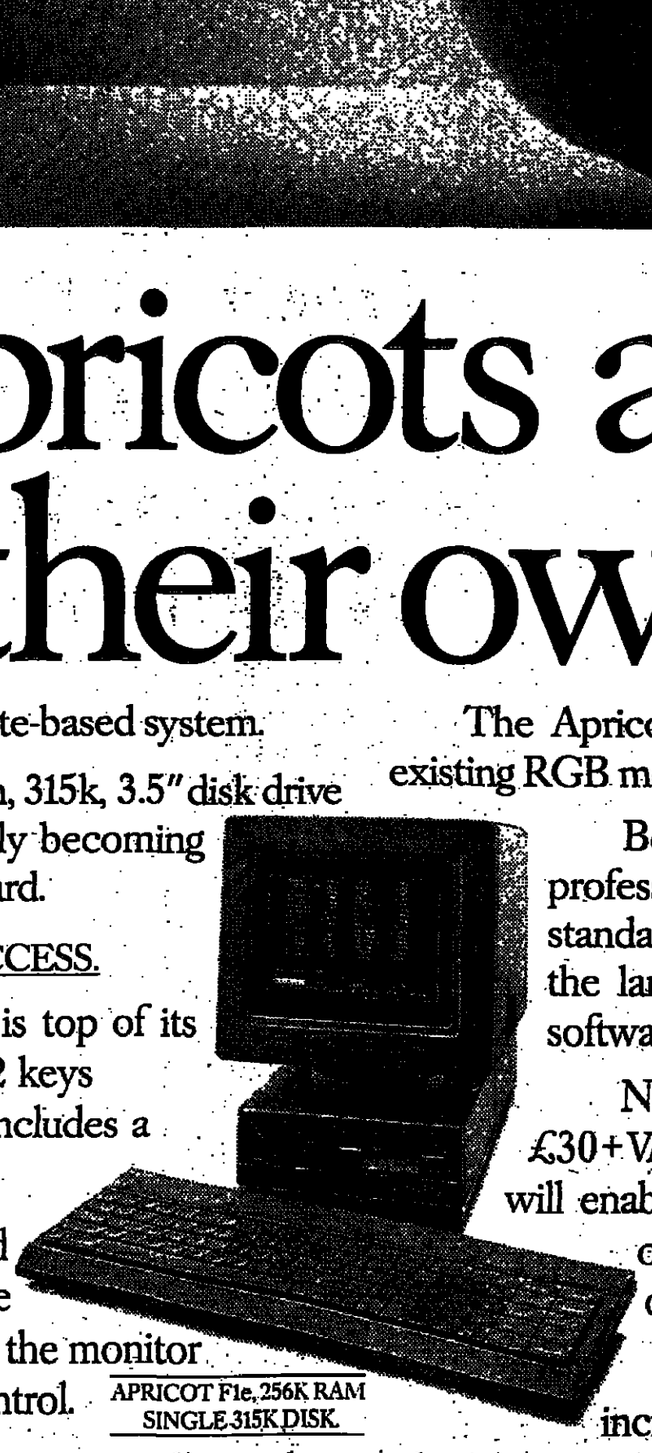
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COMPUTER HORIZONS/3

Time to stop playing games

By Andrew Chisholm

We are often told that Britain has the world's highest proportion of microcomputers in the home and that our schools are comparatively well-off for hardware and software.

Some government ministers are fond of telling us that this demonstrates widespread "computer literacy" and that the rising generation is poised, with the new added ingredient, entrepreneurial flair to take Britain forward as a major hi-tech nation.

At the same time the doubting voices have grown. What are these electronic boxes being used for? In most homes it would be safe to say they are used for games, with a certain amount of introductory basic programming. On the education side, while things have improved, too much software has been little more than electronic page-turning, designed to induce reluctant schoolchildren to take more of an interest in set-texts.

People are already beginning to say that the home computer will become all but extinct, except for the out-and-out games machines. Manufacturers are starting to edge up-market, to reach towards what they fondly hope is an untapped demand for low-cost business machines running word-processing and accounts packages. The home computer is dead, long live the personal microcomputer.

If this is true, and whatever the hopes of the manufacturers, it might suggest that few people are going to see the need for a personal microcomputer in the home in future.

There is, however, another possibility. In this country there is a unique opportunity to capitalise on the fact that we have a large stock of computers in the home and in educational establishments, and a pool of potential replacement purchases if people could be convinced of genuine uses for the new systems.

There is the scope to launch a new style of computer literacy programme, this time focused on opening up the creative possibilities afforded by the new technology.

In the future a large part of our population is going to be involved with the business of processing and handling information.

There is the possibility of a different approach to using microcomputers in education. Teaching subjects as varied as chemistry and modern studies can become more project-based throughout the educational system.

In the work environment the microcomputer should give business and professional people an opportunity to enhance the skills of report writing and preparing proposals and presentations.

At the moment the UK economy is growing only through the service sector and all the signs are that the switch from manufacturing to service will accelerate. The part of this sector with the highest contribution to national added value and the greatest potential contribution to exports is that concerned with handling information, ideas and data of all kinds.

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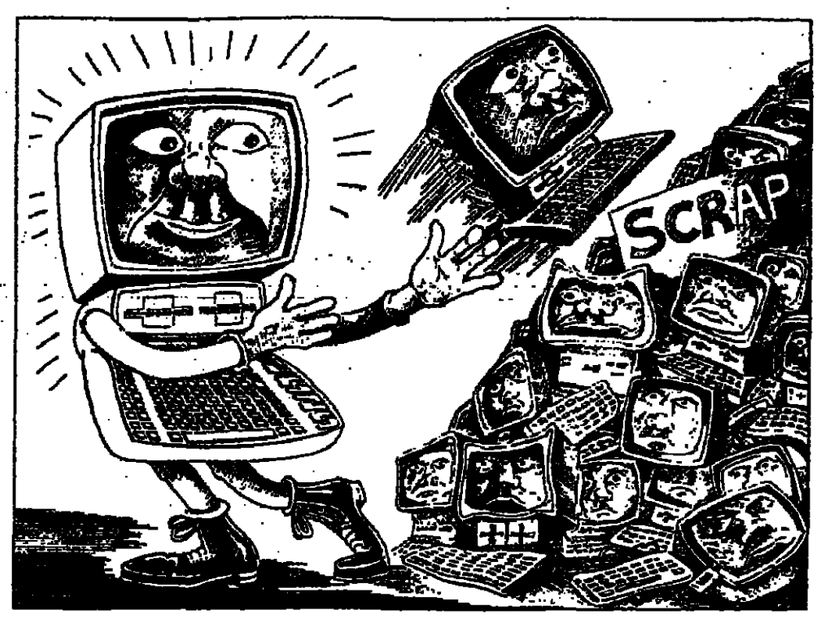
The macro problems of selling a micro

By Geof Wheelwright

Old micros don't die: they just decline drastically in price, sometimes so quickly that the machines become almost worthless. It is for this reason that at the *moment* any trade in second-hand computers is likely to be very limited.

Consider, for example, an ad which reads: "Wanted: Buyer for a British micro purchased only 18 months ago. Mint condition, one owner. Business software included in price. Paid more than £3,000. Will sell for £2,000 or nearest offer."

The owner is most unlikely to get anywhere near what is asked and an even worse deal if they try to trade the machine in for a new model. A British micro purchased two years ago is likely to be based on "old" technology and will almost certainly not run the wide base of business software developed for the popular IBM PC and Apple II computers.



Too early for a UK second-hand business

And that's not all. If the manufacturer of the said machine is still in business – which is by no means a certainty – it will almost certainly have dropped the price of the machine by between a third and a half of what it was two years ago.

All this is not to say that a healthy, second-hand business micro industry will not emerge in the UK – but just not yet.

Prices on popular IBM PC-compatible machines (computers which can use software and hardware add-ons developed for the IBM PC computer) are still dropping and currently sit just above the £1,000 mark for a basic single-disk model. This leaves little room for people with used PCs purchased at more than twice that price 18 months ago.

But as the less-competitive companies are weeded out of the IBM-compatible market and prices on this 'industry-standard' design stabilize, it should become reasonable for people to begin selling second-hand computer equipment. The prices however, of those second-hand machines will inevitably be at about the current level of new 'up-market' home computers – between £400 and £600.

Also likely to develop in conjunction with this second-hand computer market is an independent service and repair industry for micros – which will 'recondition' old machines and give an 'MOT' style seal of approval to them. Companies currently involved in business machine leasing are the likely candidates to start such services as they already require on-the-spot repairs for their clients.

As well as computer servicing, the add-ons or peripherals for those used machines will also need repairs. And it's likely that service contracts will have to be developed for whole systems, including computer printers, screens and disk (storage) systems.

After all, there's no point in having your service for your micro available on a 24-hour call-out if your printer takes two weeks to repair in the midst of churning out some crucial reports. It would be like having a car warranty which didn't cover repairs to the gearbox.

Used machines as high-tech doorstops

There will need, however, to be some changes of attitude among service companies, which currently charge an annual percentage of purchase price for maintenance contracts.

If, however, used equipment is purchased – and probably at a cost substantially lower than would be paid for that same equipment new – then a percentage based on purchase cost becomes unworkable and unprofitable for the servicing company. But until business computers stop falling in price, all this will largely remain in the future and used computers will remain high-tech doorstops.

Repairs are put on a national basis

By Martin Banks

Would the average user of a personal computer care desperately if the machine broke down and was *out of commission for* a day or two? If the user owns a home computer the answer is probably no, because it would be what he or she always suspected might happen. But if it involves a business machine, the answer will be increasingly, yes.

Service and maintenance of personal computer systems has always been something of a Cinderella in the business. Most people have bben much more interested in the status of either manufacturing, or owning one of the latest things in technoflash. If it went wrong that was all right, one just went out and bought the next latest thing.

Now, however, times are changing. The personal computer is starting to be used in business as an essential tool. This means that the beast should work and work long and hard hours. Today, a broken computer is not just a discarded and useless status symbol. it is a sizeable lump of investment that is not earning its keep and probably causing a bottleneck in other operations as awell.

Yet, despite this, the number of organized national maintenance services that exist for the personal computer is fairly small. Most serious dealers have at least some capability to hand, either in their own repair department or through the local operation. These can, however, be of variable quality and, often because they are small operations, not always available when a user actually requires them.

Now a dealer chain has joined a system and peripherals manufacturer to form a nationwide service operation. In practice they are part of the same group, the Information Technology Division of Kode International. This comprises Kode, Comart, Xitan, and the Byte Shop chain. It also includes KSL, Kode's existing service company, plus MicroServe, the operation set up by Comart to service its and Byte Shop's systems.

The division's managing director, John Lamb, has made the logical decision to bring these service elements together into a company with more than 130 engineers around the country. The move has been made for more reasons than administrative tidiness, however.

In practice, KSL will be concentrating its efforts on business generated by Kode, Comart and the Byte Shop, though it is already working for other dealers where, for example, they sell Comart kit. Lamb would consider working for other dealer chains as well.

For the one-off personal computer user with no maintenance contract there is still a problem, although KSL might be willing to take on the business if it is close to an existing service site.

Value is the aim of firm's new chief

Commodore UK is expected to announce new pricing deals in its home computers this week.

The best-selling Commodore 64 computer is to be sold for £199 with a cassette recorder and games program and is the first in a series of anticipated deals in the wake of Commodore's recent appointment of a more "marketing oriented" UK managing director Mr Nick Bessey.

In his execution of that policy, the Commodore chief is also expected to bundle products with the company's ailing C16" and Plus-Four home computers at a special price.

The Plus-Four, which was halved in price earlier this year, will now be sold as part of a business pack which will include a disc drive, computer printer and non-Commodore integrated business software from Impex. This package will sell for £449 and marks the first time Commodore has sold someone else's business software with the computer. Commodore spokesmen admit that they had to include Impex's financial spreadsheet because of the adverse reaction to the Plus-Four's own software.

The Plus-Four with disc drive, printer and business software should be a far more competitive product – as its major competitors from Sinclair and Amstrad also include their own storage systems and/or business software built into the basic price. But "professional" home computers have moved slowly in the past year and Commodore will have an uphill battle in selling the Plus-Four – even as a business pack.

Viewdata is fading from the picture

Viewdata systems are showing their age. Five years ago it looked like electronic-information systems such as Britain's Prestel and Canada's Telidon would revolutionize the way people got their information, but today only a dedicated band finds the system useful.

Prestel has more than 50,000 users and is still growing – partly because of the development of software and hardware which now allows microcomputers to access the system. Prestel's comparative success in the viewdata world has been aided by the fact that it was part of a government-owned monopoly and that a centralized government was in charge of giving all the approvals.

In North America, where some smaller phone companies still survive and proviacial or state governments share control of the telecommunications systems with a national government, developing and marketing a viewdata standard has not been so easy. Nowhere has this problem been more acutely felt than in Canada, which recently joined forces with the Japanese to help revive the flagging fortunes of Telidon.

Three years ago Telidon was seen as the logical successor to Prestel because it offered high-resolution graphics, more colours and generally more sophisticated software. But despite these advantages, Telidon was expensive – with Canadians having to pay upwards of $1,000 (£850) for a Telidon terminal.

Telidon also did not have much information to offer – because information providers would not join the service unless they felt there was a big enough user base. Of course, the lack of information providers kept the users away – the vicious circle of viewdata long suffered by Prestel.

Despite its bad showing in Canada, the Japanese have shown great interest in Telidon, which they hope will provide high enough screen resolution to be able to show Japanese characters without using high-speed phone lines. This interest recently resulted in D.C. Tel's Microtel division signing contracts worth $10 million (Canadian) to market videotex services in Japan.

The Japanese want to integrate Telidon with their own Captain videotex system, developed by Nippon Telegraph and Telephone. Captain easily handles the high-resolution necessary for the display of Japanese characters, but requires dedicated high-speed phone lines to do it. The Canadians and Japanese are hoping their efforts will lead to development of a joint world standard of alphageometric formats for videotex/viewdata.

But recent moves in the US to establish a viewdata standard quite separate and apart from Telidon, Prestel and Captain could scotch any hopes of a non-American world standard. The US is slowly inching its way towards such a standard, with a keen eye to the problems *everyone else has had.* Only time will tell how much US viewdata developers have learned from everyone else's mistakes.



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"The characters are all large, clearly readable, with pin-sharp resolution. Glowing in a really restful amber colour."

He was in raptures. I was so happy for him.

Beautiful ash-blonde.

"Is this new love of yours very beautiful?" I asked.

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For a moment, I thought he'd gone off at one of his tangents, but then he told me that Triumph Adler are, indeed, part of the VW-Audi organisation.

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"In fact, *I'm* amazed it hasn't occurred to anyone else."

"So now," he said, as he snuggled down beside me, "it'll be really easy to keep all my accounts up to date and accurately control my stock levels. What's more, all my typing will be automated."

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He was dozing already. But just before he dropped off, he murmured, "IBM compatible." And sighed, blissfully.

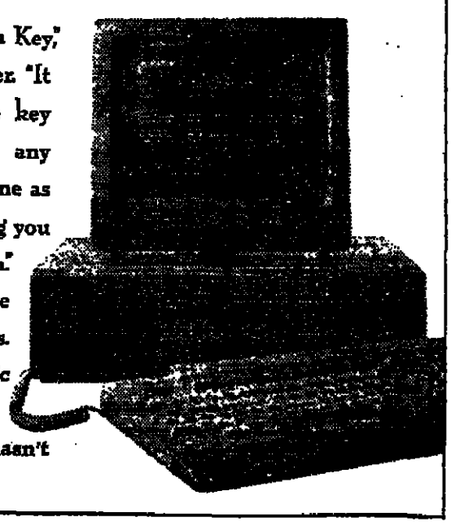
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Why the auto office is moving on

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■ One could be forgiven for thinking that office automation is so far not a great economic success given the careful choice of words in a report by the Department of Trade and Industry on six pilot installations. The benefits are described as "somewhat unconvincing to those accustomed to more conventional cost justification".

But all six pilots, which included the Cabinet Office, the GLC, two councils and the DTI itself, are to continue with office automation though two are to change suppliers.

The annual cost of joining the electronic office is estimated as ranging from £2,200 per workstation to £5,000. On the connection between office automation and job losses the report states "Direct savings were not widely sought and were less widely achieved, although some sites did reduce staff levels by amounts and in ways which they are reluctant to discuss".

■ Eastman Kodak is continuing its move into the information management side of the computer industry with the announcement of an electronic publishing system, although it will not go on sale until next year. The system, Kodak Ektaprint, will merge text, graphics and artwork and be on near-typeset quality says the company.

Priced at about $50,000 it will include computer terminals, scanners for graphics and a laser printer and will be aimed at ordinary offices. Kodak has also announced an image management system which takes information stored on microfilm and transmits it to computers.

■ While the world still holds its breath for Microsoft's picture based windows, a German software house; Bongartz and Schmidt Datentechnik has just launched its own window-driven system for personal computers.

One product, Open Window, is a development tool aimed at other software companies to use to integrate different packages and present them all with an easy-to-use window system; Tex Ace Window is a word processing package including diary, calculator and mailing lists. Data from any of the applications can be lifted directly into the word processing text.

■ A small Edmonton, Western Canada research and development company, is to unveil the Myrias 4000 – a supercomputer with a $Can12 million price tag. So far such supercomputers have been the province of the US and Japan.

Myrias Research Corporation, whose principals include an economist, an astrophysicist and a number of computer specialists, is targeting its first production for next year.

Designed as a powerful "number crunching" tool for use in areas such as seismograph analysis, meteorology and drug design, where large amounts of data must be assimilated in a short time, the supercomputer will feature a "significant breakthrough" in software, according to Kenneth Gordon, the company president.

Martin Walker, head of applications research, described the unit as a parallel computer "with some important refinements. It is able to perform a large number of different tasks simultaneously. All other computers have to execute instructions in the program sequentially whereas the Myrias can execute different combinations of instructions at the same time."

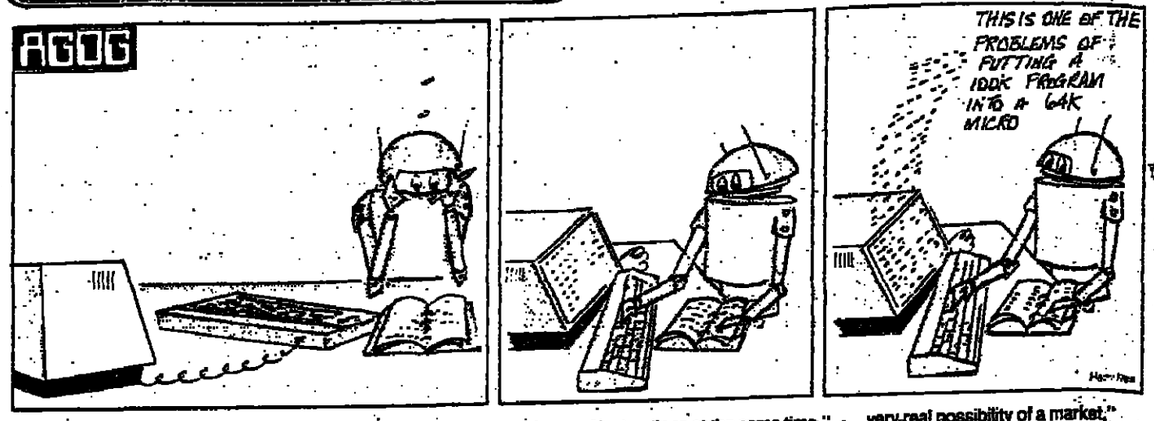
■ US and Japanese computer manufacturers could exploit considerable untapped markets if they joined forces in marketing compatible equipment, according to Chris Christiansen of hi-tech consultancy the Yankee Group.

This is particularly true in education, where schools use computers as learning aids for students, says Mr Christiansen. He adds: "We've found that the major reason parents buy computers for students is school compatibility, not network compatibility."

I don't think any Japanese company has the ability to do this on its own, but maybe with another firm, for example Tandy, there's a very real possibility of a market," he says.

Of the major home computer manufacturers, Tandy appears to be the one most interested in such a link-up, he said. Mr Christiansen said older US computer manufacturers such as Burroughs, Univac, National Cash Register, Control Data and Honeywell are facing a strong challenge from younger firms. He said five up-and-coming computer makers-Convergent Technology, Hewlett-Packard, Digital Equipment, Texas Instruments and Wang Laboratories – are trying to emerge as the new industry standard.

"The latter five, however, are having a really tough time," Mr Christiansen said.



UK events

London Business Computer Week (incorporating Office Automation Show and Software 85), today until Thursday, Earls Court, London SW5 (01-643 8040).
Sixth Commodore Computer Show, June 7-9, Novotel, Hammersmith, London W6 (01-834 4065).
DEC Village, June 10-11, Solihull Conference and Banqueting Centre, Solihull, West Midlands. Exhibition and seminars (08927 38414).
Communix 85, June 12-14, Olympia 2, London. For Unix users (01-837 3699).
ZX Microfair, June 22, New Horticultural Hall, Greycoat Street, London SW1. For users of Sinclair machines (01-801 9172).
Networks 85, June 25-27, Wembley Conference Centre, London (01-868 4466).
PC User Show, July 2-4, Olympia 2, London. For users of IBM PCs and PC compatibles (01-837 3699).

Overseas

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Pitman's buzzword diploma



Val King of PCT

JOB SCENE

By Maggie McLening

How can you tell if a job applicant is competent at using office automation or has just picked up a lot of buzzwords parrot-fashion? This is a dilemma currently facing the majority of managers recruiting office staff, but one which few employers appear to have done anything about.

More technical personnel such as programmers or systems analysts can produce recognized professional training qualifications but when it comes to working in an electronic office, there simply aren't any, so it is difficult to tell the parrots from the paragons.

Job applicants may talk with confidence of using WordStar, dBase II and Delta but they may have picked up the terms from magazine reviews, or simply watched someone else use the packages. There are no standard command words or methods of operation for word processing, database, spreadsheets or electronic mail systems, so each requires separate tuition. It may take someone familiar with word processing with WordStar some time to get to grips with Word or even WordStar 2000.

The question of office automation qualifications is one that organizations such as the National Computing Centre and the Manpower Services Commission have been considering for some time but not yet answered.

David Wheeler, the NCC manager of courses, says: "The real problem is not to do with qualifications but with what people expect to do with them. Office skills present a minefield because people are looking for so many things."

The NCC runs about 500 courses a year, covering 50 different computing-related topics but all that the 3,000 students carry away at the end is a certificate saying that they have completed the course. Mr Wheeler believes examinations would put off students.

Employers have, in any case, abused testing and reporting facilities in the past by using them as a selection scheme, he says, placing unfair responsibility on the external training body.

In the absence of government action, it may be left to independent training companies to take a lead – something already underway. Pitman Group has formed a subsidiary called Pitman Computer Training and intends to introduce a full diploma scheme by the end of the year.

The new company intends to concentrate solely on new office technology skill, initially offering one and two-day courses on leading software packages.

Unlike the NCC, Pitman does favour examinations. The Pitman Group already trains about 8,000 students in computing every year and examines a total of 700,000 on this and more traditional office skills.

Val King, the managing director of PCT says: "Standards of training and performance in the micro area are vital for recruiting because there are no measures of competence in office automation."

RUGBY UNION

Rees faces struggle to keep his place

From David Hands
Rugby Correspondent
Invercargill

Victory over Southland at Rugby Park here today would achieve two objectives for England as their New Zealand tour enters its final stage. They would return home in credit in terms of wins and losses, which no previous England side here has done. More importantly it would serve as an indicator for possible change in the side to play the final international in Wellington on Saturday.

Of those omitted from the side that lost 18-13 to New Zealand in Christchurch, two forwards, Dooley and Rees, had most to grumble about. Not that there have been many complaints from this party: they enjoy each other's company and appreciate the genuine competition that exists for places. Moreover, the management have been at pains to discuss selection and omission with individual players.

Dooley and Rees play against Southland today in a side captained for the first time by Cooke (there is a standing rugby joke here that the last Englishman to leave New Zealand in credit was Captain Cook, 200 years ago).

There exists some caution among the tour selectors about playing left and right-hand flankers in an international, rather than the traditional open and blind side. The last time it was tried, in 1979, with Mike Rafter and Tony Neary, it was by no means successful – which does not mean to say it is not worth trying again.

But Hall, the only player not fit for selection today because of a bruised knee, has done nothing to suggest he intends to vacate the No 6 shirt. Teague had an excellent game at No 8 on Saturday, therefore Rees realises he has to dislodge England's pack leader to play against New Zealand.

It is a philosophy inflicted on the 25-year-old Nottingham player this year after he lost his place in the national side through illness rather than loss of form. If it is any comfort to him Bryce Rope, one of New Zealand's three selectors, would pick him every time because Rees conforms exactly to what New Zealanders expect of their flankers.

Like Otago, Southland's individual heroes are few but their team spirit is high.

SOUTHLAND: B McKenzie; W Molloy, P Laidlaw, J Chittock, A Monahan; M Brown, C Hirt; K Molloy, B McCall, I Cosgrove, P Henderson, A Byrne, G McKenzie, D Kelly (capt), T Bolster. Replacements: G Adams, B Dickison, E Todd, B Youle, B Hewitson, M Stevens.

ENGLAND: I Metcalfe (Moseley); J Goodwin (Moseley), B Barley (Wakefield), J Salmon (Harlequins), C Martin (Bath); H Davies (Wasps), R Hill (Bath); M Preedy (Gloucester), A Simpson (Sale), A Sheppard (Bristol), D Cooke (capt), W Dooley (Preston Grasshoppers), S Bainbridge (Fylde), G Rees (Nottingham), R Hesford (Bristol). Replacements: M Harrison (Wakefield), S Barnes (Bath), N Melville (Wasps), J Orwin (Gloucester), B Brain (Coventry), M Teague (Gloucester).

Referee: C Dainty (Wellington).

FOOTBALL

Maradona puts Mexico firmly in the shade

From Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent, Mexico City

Diego Maradona, the phenomenon from Argentina, provided the outstanding highlight on the opening day of the Mexican tournament. Of that there can be no doubt. His performance, bordering on the outrageous, was however relayed by television cameras from Bogota.

Maradona, Argentina's captain, led his country to a 3-1 victory in a World Cup qualifying tie in Colombia on Sunday evening. Although he did not score himself, his extraordinary display of explosive speed and delicate touch put everything that had taken place earlier in the spectacular Aztec Stadium here deep in the shadows.

In spite of some brutal challenges, the tightly muscled bundle of talent confirmed that he is the most gifted forward in the world. "He is terrific," Bobby Robson, the England manager, said, after seeing the live transmission, "and so brave, too. He gets chopped down more than any other player I've ever known but his ambition is irresistible."

Nothing in the tame 1-1 draw between Mexico and Italy here compared with some of Argentina's attacks. With Maradona invariably heavily involved in the design, they moved with bewildering rapidity through a Colombian defence that was far from ordinary. If they could match their individual brilliance with cohesive team work, Argentina would now be one of the strongest favourites for the next World Cup.

The holders, Italy, and the hosts, Mexico, may strengthen their respective challenges before next summer but their meeting on Sunday afternoon suggested that their approach will be relatively dour. Most of a game that began under a burning sun and ended under a cloudy umbrella was trapped within the two sets of defenders.

The marking was oppressively tight and, with sweepers tightening up in front of each goalkeeper, moments of genuine adventure were about as common as a Mexican snowflake. No wonder the disappointingly small crowd voiced their disapproval at the finish of a performance that became little more than an amicable and langorous physical exercise.

Robson saw nothing to concern him, although he expects Italy will be strengthened for their game against England on Thursday. Whatever the outcome, the fixture will create a piece of history. The two national managers have agreed to have all those who do not start sitting on the substitutes' bench, ready to play.

As in next year's World Cup finals here, as many as five may be used. "I don't want to devalue this tournament", Robson said, "and I won't take anybody off unless it is necessary. But we don't know how the players will be affected by the heat and the altitude. Some of them may suffer".

Reid is the only member of the England squad who is not completely fit. He is still troubled by a recurrence of a groin strain. Wright, the other ailing representative, recovered sufficiently from what is described as "altitude problems" to join a full training session in the Aztec Stadium yesterday morning.

The rest of the players contine to acclimatize encouragingly, an impression that is confirmed by two endurance tests which have been conducted. Each individual, measured over a 12 minutes run, has dramatically improved the distance covered by an average of one and a half laps of the track, or 600 metres.



Maradona: explosive talent

European place for Dundee

Dundee will compete in the UEFA Cup next season following the decision yesterday by the European Football Association (UEFA) to award Scotland an extra place in the competition following the ban on English clubs.

The decision, which was announced by Jacques Georges, the president of UEFA, means that Dundee, who were sixth in the premier division of the Scottish League last season, will join Dundee United and St Mirren, third and fifth resepctively, and Rangers, the Skol Cup winners.

Coventry signing

Coventry City are paying an English non-league record fee of £50,000 for the 23-year-old Nuneaton Borough forward Paul Culpin, who has scored 107 goals in the last two seasons.

BOXING

Third soft touch for McGuigan

The British Boxing Board of Control have made yet another protest about the nomination of a European featherweight title opponent for Barry McGuigan, of Northern Ireland.

The European Boxing Union have installed Jose Luis Vico, of Spain, as McGuigan's next challenger – even though he has not boxed for a year. The board vainly tried to stop McGuigan against Esteban Egia, also of Spain and Farid Gallouze, of France and both were easily beaten.

Ray Clarke, the board secretary said: "Vico, not having boxed since last year has, despite the board's protests, been nominated to fight McGuigan. He is clearly not in McGuigan's class. We protested about the previous two opponents and we have strongly protested about this one, but to no avail."

If McGuigan does pull off a famous victory and take the world featherweight title from Eusebio Pedroza, of Panama, at Loftus Road, on Saturday, the whole affair will become academic, as the Irishman will be obliged to give up the EBU chaampionship.

Pat Cowdell, the European super featherweight champion from Warley, will now defend his title against Jean-Marc Renard, of Belgium in Liege on September 13. This fight was postponed from May 10 over a contractual problem. Kostas Petrou, the new British welterweight champion, has been nominated to challenge Lloyd Honeyghan, of Bermondsey, for his European crown.

Sam Burns, manager of Tony Sibson, will try to persuade the European Boxing Union to change their decision to relieve Sibson of the European middleweight title, for failing to defend it in Copenhagen on June 15.

The prospects of David Pearce ever receiving the £4,000 television money still due to him from hisd European heavyweight title fight with Lucien Rodriquez, of France, more than a year ago, have receded again.

At their convention in Spain at the weekend, the European Boxing Union reinstated the French promoter who failed to pay Pearce the money.

Sports Commentary



David Miller

East Berlin

In his speech at the opening ceremony of the 90th session of the International Olympic Committee here yesterday, Juan Samaranch, the president, spoke of the symbolic significanceof the hosting of the occasion by the German Democratic Republic – a reference to their intended loyalty to the Olympic movement which was reluctantly breached when they were obliged to join the Soviet boycott of Los Angeles last year. Samaranch, who has painstakingly worked for five years to hold the movement together, is optimistic that this occasion is moral confirmation of the GDR's intention to support the politically controversial 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul.

The president bestowed the Olympic Order upon Erich Honecker, the East German head of state, yet it was ironic that the main substance of his speech should refer unmistakeably, without actually mentioning the word, to the increasing professionalism of competitors now admitted to Olympic competition. The East Germans, predictably, are among the strongest opponents of the expansion of the professional trend.

It was important, said Samaranch, that there should be a continuing careful review of the rules: though not the basic Olympic principles, he was quick to add. He reminded the attending members of the IOC and national Olympic committees that the principle of Baron de Coubertin had not been to promote a competition between national identities. But, Samaranch stressed, the assistance and opportunities given to athletes vary so much from country to country.

All this means that we can expect an increasing flexibility by the eligibility commission with access to the Olympics for the leading professionals of the Western world, always providing they remain within the jurisdiction of their sport. I do not know what the East Germans made of all this, but they applauded politely

The fall of Mme Berlioux

It is largely a matter of attitude to the rules and regulations that has been at the root of the differences between Samaranch and the IOC director, Monique Berlioux.

During the presidencies of Avery Brundage and Lord Killanin, Mme Berlioux had become the most powerful figure within the IOC, especially as Brundage and Killanin predominantly worked from their bases in Chicago and Dublin respectively. The moment Samaranch took up a second home in Lausanne to become a full-time president, it was evident that Mme Berlioux's days were numbered.

British look like pale outsiders

There are not many voices to be heard in support of a potential British bid for the 1992 summer Olympics. The image of the Brussels disaster is sombrely apparent, however little the European football crowds may have to do with the Olympics. Yet, quite apart from that, a bid by London, or improbably by Manchester or Birmingham, must rank way down the list of favourites. Samaranch spoke yesterday of the large number of potential candidates – six each for the winter and summer games of 1992 – as being proof that reluctance to stage the games was a thing of the past. He further added that this widespread interest had permanently ended speculation that it might be preferable to have a permanent Olympic site.

Paris, Brisbane and Barcelona are all working assidiously here to promote their cause. Rupert Murdoch flew in personally on Saturday to sponsor a luncheon in support of Brisbane, and flew out again in time to get to bed in New York. Paris have come up with the novel idea of burning a flame from the top of the Eiffel Tower to mark the centenary of the Troubertain's speech in 1892 which preceded the formation of the IOC two years later and the first games in 1896. Belgrade are claiming that with 40 world and European championships in different sports already staged in that city, they have 80 per cent of facilities already established; but this cannot compare with Barcelona, making the fourth attempt by Spain to host the summer Games, guaranteeing a £5m budget, with not less than £10m to be spent on promotion. That should make the British blanch. They have until August 15 to add a bid to the 12 submitted here, with Milan also thought to be potential latecomers.

EQUESTRIANISM

Tests on a top horse

By Jenny MacArthur

Mary Thompson, the Devon rider whose seventh place at this year's Badminton confirmed her emergence as one of Britain's brightest three day eventing prospects, has had to withdraw from the long list for this summer's European championships after the discovery last week that her horse, Divers Rock, owned by the Carphone Group, has navicular disease.

The disease, which affects the base of the navicular bone in the foot, normally signals the end of a horse's career, but Divers Rock, who was slightly lame after Badminton, is undergoing tests in Newmarket's Equine Research Centre, and Miss Thomson will know in a month's time whether the 11 year-old gelding, the most successful event horse in Britain last year will ever compete again.

"I've had such a good run for so long," Miss Thomson said, "I must have been due for some bad luck – I'll just have to get on and start again". Her brave words gloss over three years from a discarded dressage horse – he passed through Jennie Loriston-Clarke's yard – to a top three-day eventer, recently the subject of offers of more than £20,000.

The Carphone Group, who started sponsoring Miss Thomson in January, have underlined their support by giving Miss Thomson the money to buy two new novice horses.

Diana Clapham, the Olympic team silver medal winner whose future in three day eventing was uncertain because of lack of funds, has signed a sponsorship contract with Fisons Pharmaceuticals, the animal health company.



Akabusi: England's choice

Akabusi is captain

Kriss Akabusi will be England's team captain for the men's athletics international against the United States at Birmingham on June 21. Akabusi, an Army Sergeant from Southampton, was a member of Britain's 400 metres relay Olympic silver medal winning team in Los Angeles.

HOCKEY: The Soviet Union have accepted the Hockey Association's invitation to play in the international tournament with England, the Netherlands and possibly India at Willesden Sports Centre from October 18-20.

GOLF: Bill Glasson sank a 50-foot putt on the final hole to claim a one-stroke victory over Larry Mize, in the final round of the Kemper Open at Bethesda, Maryland, on Sunday.

●Nancy Lopez, of the United States, won her second LPGA tournament in a row on Sunday, finishing eight strokes clear in an event at Kings Island, Ohio.

EUROPEAN LEAGUE AND CUP RESULTS

AUSTRIAN: Linz Ask 0, Austria Wien 3; Rapid 7, Voest 2; SSW Innsbruck 1, Sportklub 2; Admira/Wacker 0, Eisenstadt 0; Sturm 3 Spittal 2; DSV Alpine 3, Vienna 1; Austria Salzburg 3, Graz Ak 1; Favac 0, Klagenfurt 0.
Leading positions: 1, Austria Wien, 52 pts; 2 Rapid, 44; 3, Linz Ask 36.

DUTCH: Twente Enschede 3, MVV Maastricht 1; Pec Zwolle 1, Sparta Rotterdam 1; Haarlem 5, Excelsior Rotterdam 5; PSV Eindhoven 4, Ajax 0; Volendam 5, AZ'67 Alkmaar 2; Roda JC Kerkrade 2, Fortuna Sittard 3; Feyenoord 3, Den Bosch 1; Utrecht 2, Go Ahead Eagles Deventer 0; Groningen 2, Nac Breda 1.
Final positions: 1, Ajax 54 pts; 2, PSV Eindhoven 48; 3, Feyenoord 48.
Relegated: Volendam; Breda; Zwolle.

EAST GERMAN: Hansa Rostock 4, Motor Sohl 0; Dynamo Berlin 2, Vorwaerts Frankfurt 1; Dynamo Dresden 3, Carl Zeiss Jena 1; Karl Marx Stadt 0, Chemie Leipzig 0; Lokomotiv Leipzig 1, Wismut Aue 0; Stahl Brandenburg 3, Stahl Riesa 1; Rot-Weiss Erfurt 4, Magdeburg 0.
Final positions: 1, Dynamo Berlin 44 pts, 2, Dynamo Dresden 38; 3, Lokomotiv Leipzig 36.
Relegated: Chemie Leipzig and Motor Sohl.

GREEK: All matches postponed a week because of national election.

HUNGARIAN: Ferencvarse 0, Tatabanya 2; Videoton 0, Zalaegerszeg 1; Vasas 3, Haladas 0; Dukascsaba 4, Lipesi Dozsa 2; Debrecen 3, Egar 0; Csepel 1, Rabat Eto 5; MTK VM 7, Szeged 0; BP Honved 2, Pecs 2.
Leading positions: 1, BP Honved 44 pts; 2, Raba Eto 36; 3, Videoton 35.

PORTUGUESE: Portimonense 1, Porto 3; Belenenses 0, Benfica 3; Sporting 4, Setubal 0; Braga 1, Rio Ave 1; Penafiel 1, Guimaraes 0; Salgueiros 3, Pacense 1; Varzim 2, Academica 4; Viseu 0, Boavista 2. Final positions: 1, Porto, 58pts; 2, Sporting, 47; 3, Benfica, 43. Relegated: Farense, Varzim and Vizela. Promoted: Maritimo do Funchal, Aves and Covilha.

TURKISH: Fenerbahce 3, Antalyaspor 1; Ankaragucu 1, Besiktas 3; Sakaryaspor 0, Trabzonspor 0; Gaziantaamy 0, Altay 0; Malatyaspor 2, Kocaelispor 0; Eskishirspor 1, Sariyer 1; Bursaspor 0, Orduspor 2; Denizlispor 4, Genclerbirligi 2; Bolusper 2, Zonguldakspor 1. Final positions: 1, Fenerbahce, 50pts; 2, Besiktas, 50; 3, Trabzonspor, 42. Relegated: Denizlispor, Antalyaspor and Bolusper.

WEST GERMAN: Eintracht Frankfurt 1, Hamburg 0; Werder Bremen 2, Arminia Bielefeld 1; Bayer Uerdingen 1, Eintracht Brunswick 2; Cologne 3, Karlsruhe 4; Stuttgart 4, Bayer Leverkusen 1; Fortuna Dusseldorf 2, Borussia Monchengladbach 1; Schalke 3, Borussia Dortmund 1; Bayern Munich 3, Kaiserslauern 0; Waldhof Mannheim 2, Bochum 0. Leading positions: 1, Bayern Munich, 45pts; 2, Werder Bremen, 40; 3, Cologne, 40. Relegated: Karlsruhe and Eintracht Brunswick.

BELGIAN CUP: Final: CS Bruges 1, Beveren 1. (Bruges won 5-4 on penalties).

FRENCH CUP: Semi-finals, first legs: Monaco 2, Lille 0; Toulouse 2, Paris Saint-Germain 0. Play-off to decide promotion/relegation: First leg: Rennes (2nd division) 0, Rouen (1st division) 1.

LUXEMBOURG CUP: Semi-finals, Second legs: Red Boys Differdange 1, Aris Bonnevoie 0 (Red Boys win 2-0 on aggregate); Olympique Eischen 0, Jeunesse Esch 1 (Jeunesse win 1-0).

SPANISH LEAGUE CUP: Semi-finals, second legs: Espanol 2, Atletico Madrid 0 (Atletico win 5-3 on aggregate); Real Madrid 3, Sporting 0 (Real Madrid win 3-0).

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Britannic Assurance County Championships (11-6.30)

DERBY: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Leicestershire
CANTERBURY: Kent v Worcestershire
TAUNTON: Somerset v Warwickshire
MIDDLESBOROUGH: Yorkshire v Hampshire

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Amateur Championship (at Royal Dornoch CC).
TENNIS: Kentish Times Beckenham Tournament (Beckenham Cricket Club); GMC Manchester Tournament (Northern Club, Manchester).
CYCLING: Milk Race: Rest day.
SPEEDWAY: National League: Milton Keynes v Wimbledon; Weymouth v Middlesbrough.
POLO: Queen's Cup and Alfred Dunhill Cup.

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CRICKET: TWO CENTURIES IN CONSOLATION TEXACO TROPHY WIN

Gower and England reassured

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

LORDS: England beat Australia by 8 wickets

England ended the one-day series for the Texaco Trophy with a a comfortable and reassuring victory yesterday, and at last their captain, Gower, was among the runs. Needing 255 to win, England made them for the loss of only two wickets and with six overs to spare, Gower scoring 102 and Gooch 117 not out.

The cheer which greeted Gower's century on a golden evening must have been music in his ears. It was long overdue and had come at a time when he needed it to convince not only himslef but also the selectors that he can still play.

Coming together when Robinson had been leg before in the seventh over of England's innings, Gower and Gooch added 202 in 37 overs and had a rare old race to be first to three figures. Their partnership is a record for any wicket in a one day international in England, the World Cup excluded.

It was only a matter of time before, as the Australians say, Gower "came good". He is too young and gifted to have gone on failing. The fear was, particularly from his own point of view, that he might not find himself again before being relieved of the captaincy. Many a good man has had his game undermined by the cares of leadership, and Gower's record since taking over from Willis a year ago had been, until yesterday, quite unworthy of him.

But the gods were with him now. He won a good toss and had the luck to play and miss several times early in his innings. They were lovely conditions for batting by then; the Texaco Trophy was already lost and at the other end Gooch was again in imperious form. But just how much England's victory and Gower's rehabilitation meant to a public eager for success was shown in the ovation both Gower and Gooch received. With scores of 57 and 115 before yesterday's 117 not out, Gooch had a great series on his return from the wilderness. It must have been as straighforward for the judges who made him England's Man of the Series as to make Border Australia's.

By putting Australia in, Gower broke the pattern of last week's matches at Old Trafford and Edgbaston, in which England batted first and lost. Australia left out Wessels and Wellham in order to give Hilditch and Ritchie a game; England brought in Foster for Edmonds, which left Willey as the only spinner. Just fancy that. For one-day match after one-day match, England's most effective bowlers have been their spinners. Now they played only one of them, and he, I suppose, would not be rated among the first dozen in the country.

It was a good morning on which to be bowling, in spite of the fresh and beautifully sunny weather. The ball not only moved off the pitch, it swung as well. The Australians made an anxious, watchful start. In their second over Foster and Hilditch leg before. Ritchie, who does not bother with a helmet and looks a batsman, was superbly caught by Gooch at second slip, low and let-handed. That was 47 for two in the seventeenth over and for a while Border batted as though the strain of being expected to steady yet another innings was telling on him. He attempted several wildly impracticable strokes. But Wood was playing his game, and in the 24th over Border hit three of Allott's first four balls for four, all authentically good strokes. That was a turning point. For the third wicket Wood and Border had added 96 when Gooch bowled Border for 44, the first time on the tour he had been out for fewer than 50. Border said recently that the only bowler to have taken his wicket on the tour, rather than been given it, was Underwood. Gooch, I think, beat him now, the ball going between Border's bat and pad as he made to on-drive.

In the 17 overs that remained to them, Australia made another 111 runs. Boon scored a spanking 45 and by now Wood was scampering along. Wood must have a liking for Lords. He got a hundred here in the Centenary Test of 1980 and did well again yesterday, especially to survive the opening hour. England's out-cricket was just adequate, though had I been Cowans I would have felt hard done by to be given only eight overs while Gooch was given 11. England seemed not so much to be making things happen as hoping that they would.

But their batting left nothing to chance, once Gower had started to get his confidence back. By tea, taken after 25 overs, he and Gooch had put on 102, so that the match was already in England's grasp.

AUSTRALIA

G M Wood not out	114
A M J Hilditch l-b-w b Foster	4
G M Ritchie c Gooch b Botham	15
*A R Border b Gooch	44
D C Boon c Gower b Willey	45
†W B Phillips run out	10
S P O'Donnell not out	0
Extras (b 2, l-b 13, w 6, n-b 1)	22
Total (5 wkts, 55 overs)	254

G R J Matthews, G F Lawson, C J McDermott and J R Thomson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-47, 3-143, 4-226, 5-252.

BOWLING: Cowans 8-2-22-0; Foster 11-0-55-1; Botham 8-1-27-1; Allott 7-1-45-0; Gooch 11-0-46-1; Willey 10-1-44-1.

ENGLAND

G A Gooch not out	117
R T Robinson l-b-w b McDermott	7
*D I Gower c Border b McDermott	102
A J Lamb not out	9
Extras (b 2, l-b 9, w 2, n-b 9)	22
Total (2 wkts, 49 overs)	257

I T Botham, M W Gatting, P Willey, †P R Downton, N A Foster, P J W Allott and N G Cowans did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-227.

BOWLING: Lawson 9-0-37-0; McDermott 10-0-51-2; Thomson 8-1-50-0; O'Donnell 11-0-54-0; Matthews 10-0-49-0; Border 1-0-5-0.

Umpires: H D Bird and B J Meyer.



Thank heavens: this six was further proof that Gower had recovered his touch (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Briers' hard labour

By Marcus Williams

CHELMSFORD: Essex, with nine second innings wickets in hand, are 168 runs behind Leicestershire.

Leicestershire ground their way to a substantial first innings lead over Essex at Chelmsford yesterday, batting until after six o'clock and adding 305 runs off 114 overs. Briers, captain in the absence of Gower and Willey, scored 129 in six hours and a quarter and Clift, a career best 106 in a little under three and a half hours, but it was hard going for bowlers and spectators alike. Essex were left 13 minutes' batting before the close and to complete their day they lost Hardie, bowled by a ball that kept low in Agnew's second over.

Briers showed great powers of concentration as Essex were made to toil under a baking sun on a pitch of uneven bounce and taking slow turn. They will have rued the missed catch on Saturday, by Gladwin, when Briers had made only six and, to save the game today they will have to bat with a greatt deal more conviction than they showed in their first innings.

Leicestershire resumed at 87 for three and Cobb soon went, Gladwin this time holding a low catch at first slip off Pringle. Runs came at a trickle, 33 in the first hour, and only 88 in the two hours and a quarter of the morning. Childs wheeled away with his left-arm spin for much of the day, extracting a little turn but without reward.

Briers reached his 50 in the over before lunch, having batted for 190 minutes. In the third over afterwards Garnham, a more enterprising partner, reached the landmark in 129 minutes, but almost at once was bowled off the inside edge, driving at Acfield.

Briers reached three figures in five hours and his partnership with the dependable Clift was eventually worth 165 in 55 overs when Briers was leg before sweeping at Acfield. Clift got to his 100, surprisingly only the second of his 14-year career and then became Acfield's third victim. By the time Briers declared, Leicestershire, seemingly having achieved their aim, were 179 runs ahead.

ESSEX: First innings 213 (71.4 overs; J P Agnew 4 for 59).

Second innings

B R Hardie b Agnew	6
C Gladwin not out	4
J K Lever not out	2
Extras (w 1, n-b 4)	5
Total (1 wkt)	11

FALL OF WICKET: 1-9.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings

I P Butcher c East b Pringle	13
J C Balderstone c Hardie b Lever	10
R A Cobb c Gladwin b Pringle	31
J J Whitaker b Pringle	12
*N E Briers l-b-w b Acfield	129
†M A Garnham b Acfield	51
P B Clift b Acfield	106
G J Parsons not out	6
N G B Cook not out	9
Extras (b 2, l-b 12, w 1, n-b 10)	25
Total (7 wkts dec)	392

Score at 100 overs: 222 for five.

L B Taylor and J P Agnew did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-23, 3-45, 4-89, 5-182, 6-347, 7-377.

BOWLING: Lever 26-6-82-1; Pringle 31-6-71-3; Turner 19-4-54-0; Childs 48-16-96-0; Acfield 30-7-75-3.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 6, Essex 4.

Umpires: J W Holder and M J Kitchen.

Somerset checked

By Alan Gibson

TAUNTON: Somerset, with nine second innings wickets in hand, are 133 runs ahead of Warwickshire.

On Saturday, when Richards scored 322 and Somerset 566, Warwickshire looked a bruised and battered side. Yesterday in bright sunshine and on a pitch still beaming with innocence, they regained their confidence, and put up a brave fight.

The first wicket did not fall until the score was 84, when Dyer was leg before to Turner. Lloyd – and it is pleasing to see him back to form and fitness was leg before to Richards, and Kallicharran was stumped when he was beginning to threaten. So just after lunch, at 151 for 3, Somerset were not doing to badly.

But they were checked by a long stand between Amiss and Smith. Smith was the more aggressive, Amiss the surer. Warwickshire, whose first intention was no more than to save the follow-on found wider visions opening.

An over by Marks, who had bowled perseveringly if not quite so accurately as usual, changed the picture for a brief time. First Smith, and then Amiss, hit catches from him to the deep: 312 for 5.

This cheered up Somerset, who were beginning to wilt. There was some discussion in the stragglers' pavilion as to whether things would have been different had Botham been present to lead the side. He might, of course, have produced a powerful burst at a critical moment, but you could say Marks did that, and Botham might have also become bored and just waited for the declaration.

Marks, I thought, handled the side well. He gave himself and Booth a good bowl, though the pitch had no invitations to spin. He took the new ball when it was due, but there was nothing in it for the quicker men either.

Turner stuck to it well, but so did Ferreira, who looked as if he could happily bat all night. Once he had reached his 100, Warwickshire declared, only 124 behind: a useful day's work.

SOMERSET: First innings 566 for 5 dec (I V A Richards 322, V J Marks 65, N F M Popplewell 55, R L Ollis 55).

Second innings

N F M Popplewell not out	2
P Bail c Kallicharran b Small	0
†T Gard not out	3
Extras (l-b 4)	4
Total (1 wkt)	9

FALL OF WICKET: 1-1.

WARWICKSHIRE: First innings

T A Lloyd l-b-w b Richards	61
R I H B Dyer l-b-w b Turner	38
A I Kallicharran c Garner b Davis	36
D L Amiss c Davis – Marks	61
P A Smith c Turner b Marks	93
A M Ferreira not out	101
†G A Tedstone b Turner	22
G C Small c Davis b Turner	3
S Wall l-b-w b Turner	1
D S Hoffman run out	0
*N Gifford not out	0
Extras (b 1, l-b 6, w 1, n-b 3)	11
Total (9 wkts dec)	442

Score at 100 overs: 372 for five.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-84, 2-105, 3-151, 4-312, 5-312, 6-369, 7-419, 8-431, 9-431.

BOWLING: Garner 20-3-59-0; Davis 23.4-1-115-1; Turner 22.4-2-74-4; Richards 12-4-31-1; Marks 25-3-97-2; Booth 13-3-59-0.

Bonus points: Somerset 8, Worcestershire 6.

Umpires: A A Jones and P B Wight.

Green and glorious spectacle

By Richard Streeton

HORSHAM: Sussex, with eight second innings wickets in hand, lead Surrey by 314 runs.

Allan Green followed his first innings 90 with a carefree hundred yesterday as Sussex took control of this match. All day the cricket and glorious sunshine enhanced this rural ground, perhaps the most idyllic setting on the county circuit.

Green, who first played in 1980, only scored his maiden century on Friday against Glamorgan and has suddenly struck a rich vein of runs. There were 47 overs left after Sussex gained a lead of 120. Green reached three figures just before the end.

Mobile footwork and smooth timing helped Green, gather his runs. He and Mendis scored 84 in 55 minutes for the first wicket before Mendis was held at cover. Parker was caught behind but Alan Wells stayed with Green, whose innings included 17 fours, to the close.

Surrey had eight wickets down before they saved the follow-on. At times, they looked in too much of a hurry for their own good. Everyone was conscious that thunderstorms were forecast for today and more than one Surrey player was out after he had time to establish himself.

Jesty's forceful 99 saved Surrey after they resumed at 37 for three and quickly lost Thomas, who did not offer a stroke. Jesty drove and pulled strongly. He has clearly joined the growing band whose game has acquired new zest after a change of scene.

Jesty hit Waller for a straight six, and he also struck 17 fours before he was out to a remarkable catch by Parker. The fieldsman flung himself to the left at deepish square leg and clung two handed to a full-blooded pull. Parker, I believe, would win many votes as the best middle distance fieldsman in the English game.

Jack Richards ensured Surrey reached the follow-on figure of 242 before Pigott ended the innings by bowling Taylor and Waterman with successive balls.

SUSSEX: First innings 391 for seven dec (P W G Parker 105, A M Green 90, I J Gould 58, A P Wells 56).

Second innings

G D Mendis c Clinton b Thomas	46
A M Green not out	102
P W G Parker c Richards b Waterman	14
A P Wells not out	24
Extras (l-b 3, w 1, n-b 4)	8
Total (2 wkts)	194

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-84, 2-124.

SURREY: First innings

A R Butcher l-b-w b Reeve	8
G S Clinton l-b-w b Reeve	17
A J Stewart c Gould b Reeve	39
*P I Pocock run out	0
D J Thomas l-b-w b Pigott	1
T E Jesty c Parker b C M Wells	99
M A Lynch l-b-w b Greig	27
A Needham l-b-w b C M Wells	35
†C J Richards not out	20
N S Taylor b Pigott	18
P A Waterman b Pigott	0
Extras (l-b 6, n-b 1)	7
Total (78.5 overs)	271

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-30, 3-33, 4-40, 5-86, 6-139, 7-228, 8-239, 9-271.

BOWLING: Pigott 17.5-3-94-3; Reeve 24-8-49-3; C M Wells 12-1-33-2; Greig 9-3-41-1; Waller 14-3-48-0.

Bonus points: Sussex 8, Surrey 6.

Umpires: K H Lyons and N T Plews.

Allen appointment

G. O. (Gubby) Allen, has been appointed honorary vice president of the National Cricket Association.

Boycott 145 not out

By Peter Ball

MIDDLESBROUGH: Hampshire, 8 second innings wickets in hand, lead Yorkshire by 121 runs.

A typically painstaking 115 in 87 overs by Boycott was not enough to take Yorkshire to equality with Hampshire's first innings total of 341 at Acklam Park yesterday. Yorkshire's lower order collapsed in the face of a devastating third spell by Marshall.

But if Yorkshire fell short of their target, Boycott's 145th century, his second in succession, took him to sixth place in the record books, jointly with Frank Woolley. He now has the leading Yorkshireman in the list, with Herbert Sutcliffe on 149, clearly in his sights.

His innings was not without blemish. He looked uncomfortable in Marshall's opening spell and was dropped twice on 26 by Parks and Greenidge, the latter a straightforward chance, in successive overs from Tremlett, who induced Moxon into a false stroke and bowled well with no further reward, finding some bounce and movement throughout the day.

His footwork in some harsh treatment of Cowley was delightful, and it played a large part in his 15 fours . Even against Marshall with his tail up his defence was as sound as ever until at last he was eighth out when the West Indian hurried one back to trap him lbw.

By then Yorkshire's position, apparently so healthy when Bairstow was savaging Cowley and Maru, the most of his 47 in 33 balls, had declined dramatically. Their long tail was exposed by Marshall in a spell either side of tea which produced four wickets for seven runs to give him his season's best figures of 5 for 48.

Although Maru had persuaded the ball to turn with slowly increasing sharpness as the day wore on, there had been little to justify the belief that the wicket, a credit to the Middlesbrough groundsmen, was going to break up. But Yorkshire, whose injuries pushed Carrick into an unusual position as opener, and who removed Greenidge for the second time in the match, ended with four men round the bat for both spinners as Robin Smith and Nicholas batted gingerly. The drama has been slow to unfold, but today may well be enthralling.

HAMPSHIRE: First innings 341 for six dec (C L Smith 143 not out, R A Smith 83, M D Marshall 50; Bowling: Fletcher 25-4-100-1; Jarvis 3-0-13-0; Oldham 8-1-33-0; Carrick 43-12-102-3; Booth 32-9-76-1; Moxon 6-0-16-1).

Second innings

C G Greenidge c Moxon b Carrick	22
V P Terry c Bairstow b Fletcher	14
*M C J Nicholas not out	8
R A Smith not out	18
Extras (l-b 1)	1
Total (2 wkts)	63

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-41.

YORKSHIRE: First innings

G Boycott l-b-w b Marshall	115
M D Moxon c Maru b Tremlett	25
R J Blakey c Parks b Marshall	43
K Sharp c Greenidge b Cowley	19
J D Love c Parks b Maru	1
†D L Bairstow l-b-w b Marshall	47
P Carrick c Maru b Marshall	0
P W Jarvis b Marshall	0
S Oldham c Tremlett b Maru	6
P A Booth c Marshall b Maru	0
S D Fletcher not out	0
Extras (b 8, l-b 8, n-b 11)	27
Total (89.2 overs)	283

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-136, 3-182, 4-203, 5-255, 6-262, 7-262, 8-274, 9-278.

BOWLING: Marshall 20-8-48-5; Connor 9-2-29-0; Maru 22.2-6-65-3; Tremlett 17-4-35-1; Cowley 21-3-60-1.

Bonus points: Hampshire 7, Yorkshire 4.

Umpires: J Birkenshaw and J Jameson.

John Player League

	P	W	LT	NR	Pts
Kent (9)	4	3	0	1	14
Northants (12)	4	2	0	1	12
Yorkshire (13)	4	2	0	2	12
Glamorgan (5)	4	2	1	1	10
Middlesex (5)	4	2	1	1	10
Surrey (8)	4	2	1	1	10
Gloucs (13)	5	2	3	0	8
Hampshire (9)	5	1	2	2	8
Leics (13)	5	0	1	3	8
Warwickshire (7)	3	2	1	0	8
Derbyshire (17)	3	1	1	1	6
Notts (2)	4	1	2	1	6
Somerset (13)	4	1	2	1	6
Essex (1)	3	0	1	1	4
Lancashire (4)	4	0	2	1	4
Sussex (3)	4	1	3	0	4
Worcs (5)	2	0	1	1	2

(1984 positions in brackets)

Kent v Worcestershire

AT CANTERBURY

KENT: First innings 189 (62.5 overs).

Second innings

N R Taylor l-b-w b Kapil Dev	2
S G Hinks l-b-w b Radford	2
C J Tavaré c Kapil Dev b Illingworth	60
*C S Cowdrey l-b-w b Kapil Dev	1
E A E Baptiste c Smith b Radford	3
G W Johnson c Inchmore b Patel	20
M R Benson b Patel	1
†A P E Knott b Illingworth	35
G R Dilley l-b-w b Patel	1
D L Underwood not out	13
K B S Jarvis b Radford	0
Extras (b 3, l-b 1, n-b 4)	8
Total	146

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-8, 3-7, 4-13, 5-46, 6-47, 7-104, 8-125, 9-139, 10-146.

BOWLING: Kapil Dev 15-4-30-2; Radford 8.4-1-28-3; Patel 15-2-45-3; Inchmore 2-1-2-0; Illingworth 20-5-38-2.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First innings

M J Weston c Johnson b Dilley	0
T S Curtis c Knott b Jarvis	0
D M Smith c Knott b Jarvis	64
*P A Neale c Cowdrey b Underwood	42
R K Illingworth c Tavaré b Jarvis	2
†S J Rhodes not out	37
D N Patel b Jarvis	4
D B d'Oliveira c Knott b Jarvis	0
Kapil Dev c Taylor b Underwood	17
N V Radford c and b Cowdrey	2
J D Inchmore c Johnson b Cowdrey	23
Extras (b 4, l-b 5, n-b 4)	13
Total (79.4 overs)	204

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-8, 3-105, 4-112, 5-119, 6-125, 7-125, 8-149, 9-158.

BOWLING: Dilley 3-1-6-1; Jarvis 22-5-63-5; Underwood 34-12-75-2; Cowdrey 10.4-0-41-2; Johnson 8-4-16-0; Baptiste 2-0-4-0.

Second innings

M J Weston c and b Baptiste	7
T S Curtis not out	12
†S J Rhodes l-b-w b Jarvis	9
R K Illingworth not out	2
Extras (w 1)	1
Total (2 wkts)	31

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-25.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 6, Kent 5.

Umpires: D Dudleston and R Palmer.

Derby v Gloucs

AT DERBY

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First innings 398 for three dec (C W J Athey 170, P Bainbridge 151 not out).

Second innings

A W Stovold not out	45
P W Romaines c Mortensen b Holding	5
C W J Athey not out	34
Extras (l-b 3, w 1, n-b 5)	9
Total (1 wkt)	93

FALL OF WICKET: 1-10.

DERBYSHIRE: First innings

†B J M Maher c Stovold b Graveney	46
A Hill ret hurt	0
*K J Barnett b Lloyds	93
J E Morris c Stovold b Lloyds	22
B Roberts not out	100
W P Fowler l-b-w b Walsh	13
R J Finney c Romaines b Graveney	82
G Miller not out	1
Extras (b 6, l-b 4, w 1, n-b 14)	25
Total (5 wkts dec, 93.2 overs)	391

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-135, 2-177, 3-178, 4-208, 5-375.

BOWLING: Lawrence 13.2-1-70-0; Walsh 23-2-84-1; Graveney 34-8-94-2; Curran 7-0-42-0; Lloyds 15-2-73-2; Athey 1-0-8-0.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 5, Gloucestershire 8.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and R A White.

Oxford Univ v Lancs

AT THE PARKS

LANCASHIRE: First innings 338 for two dec (D W Varey 112, D P Hughes 75 not out, N H Fairbrother 68 not out, M R Chadwick 63).

Second innings

*J Abrahams not out	101
R G Watson l-b-w b Rutnagur	18
M Watkinson c Hagan b Lawrence	59
†C Maynard not out	26
Extras (b 7, l-b 4, w 8)	19
Total (2 wkts)	223

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-158.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First innings

*A J T Miller c Maynard b Patterson	2
D A Hagan l-b-w b Patterson	20
G J Toogood c Maynard b Patterson	0
P C MacLarnon c Maynard b Patterson	6
C D M Tooley c Chadwick b Patterson	0
D A Thorne b Watkinson	76
T Patel b Patterson	0
R S Rutnagur b Watkinson	3
†D P Taylor b Watkinson	0
J D Quinlan c Maynard b Patterson	8
M P Lawrence not out	6
Extras (b 1, l-b 10, n-b 12)	23
Total	144

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-20, 3-38, 4-38, 5-68, 6-74, 7-83, 8-91, 9-132.

BOWLING: Patterson 17.4-3-49-7; Makinson 13-2-45-0; Watkinson 15-5-23-3; Folley 1-0-7-0.

Umpires: J H Harris and H J Rhodes.

Roberts hits his maiden century

By Ivo Tennant

Bruce Roberts, Derbyshire's Zambian-born all-rounder, scored his maiden century yesterday, against Gloucestershire. His captain, Barnett, who is himself making some prolific scores, delayed his declaration until the three figures were posted, illuminated by two sixes and twelve fours.

Roberts, who is 23 and bespectacled, had a quiet first season with Derbyshire in the county championship. But he took some runs off Hampshire and Marshall last week and is occupying some prime batting positions. With Barnett scoring 83 and Finney 82, Derbyshire ensured the match, at Derby, would continue to be a high-scoring affair. A draw looks on the cards.

At Canterbury, on the other hand, a positive result is almost assured. For reasons best known to themselves, Kent and Worcestershire are conducting an extremely low-scoring match. On a pitch offerinf only slow turn and the occasional variable bounce, Jarvis took three for four in 16 balls as Worcestershire slumped to 204 all out. They took a first innings lead thanks only to a last wicket stand of 48 by Rhodes and Inchmore.

Kent in turn collapsed – firstly to 13 for four and ultimately to be dismissed for 146. Of these runs, Tavaré made 60, adding 57 off 17 overs with Knott. Kent captured two wickets in the evening session, which leaves Worcestershire needing 101 today.

In the Parks, Abrahams made an undefeated century for Lancashire to help them to a lead of 417 over Oxford University. They were bowled out by Patterson, a Jamaican medium-pacer who returned seven for 49, a career best.

GOLF

Unknowns put their act together in style

By John Hennessy

A little-known golfer and a little-known golf course captured the limelight on the first day of the British Amateur Championship yesterday. The player was Ian Stephenson, and the course Golspie (5,763 yards, par 68).

Between them they fashioned a score of 68, one stroke fewer than the previous amateur record. Stephenson, a left handed Yorkshireman, today goes to Royal Dornoch (6,577 yards, par 70), to face a stiffer challenge in the second stroke-play round before, as is certain to be the case, he embarks on the match play at Dornoch tomorrow.

Stephen East, another Yorkshireman of so far modest attainment, shared the lead on 68 at Dornoch with a young American, Dana Banke. A margin of four strokes probably reflected the true difference between the two courses and Bankes's round was the more meritorious for being achieved after a blissful morning had given away to a blustery afternoon.

Golspie, a little jewel of a golf course six miles to the north of Dornoch had little defence against Stephenson's inspired short game. This is where his strength lies, as four successive single-putt birdies from the fourth confirmed. Later he got up and down from a bunker at the ninth and from off the green at the fourteenth, though the rough there still claimed a shot.

Finally, standing on the eighteenth tee he was awestruck by the thought that a par four would give him a share of the record. It was a difficult finishing hole, however, demanding two good woods and usually a pitch and putt.

The young Spanish holder of the title, José-Maria Olazábal, lived through a nightmare in the worst of the kind towards the end of the day. He was out in 45, home in 41, and will be making only a token appearance at Golspie today.

Leading scores

British unless stated

ROYAL DORNOCK: 68: S East, D Bankes (US). 70: D Guildford, R Horne (US), P Hedges. 71: D Gill (Aus). 72: D James, R Catalano (US), D M Driver (US). 73: C Christy, E Walmsley, C Laurence, B Larsen, A Clapp, F George, J Huggan, P Dirvan, D Wyborn, D Lee, G R Krouse.

GOLSPIE: 64: I Stephens. 68: E Wilson, M Pendaries (Fr). 67: P McEvoy, T Lauw (SA); K Grant. 68: C Dalgleish, R Kaplan (SA), G Hirsch (US), D Clark (US), I Whyatt, G Mcgimpsey. 69: W Case (US), D Van, D Standen, K Valentine, G Homewood, G C Barrie, R van Niekerk (SA). 70: M Jarvis.

MOTOR RACING

Brands Prix

For the second time in three years, Britain will have two world championship Formula One motor races this year with yesterday's confirmation that the European Grand Prix will take place at Brands Hatch on September 22.

The event, which is to be sponsored by Shell Oils, will cost £1,350,000 to stage, including a prize fund of £840,000. This year's race will be the 38th world championship round to be held in Britain – a world record – and marks the 21st anniversary of the first grand prix to be held at Brands Hatch.

EVENING RACING

Edinburgh

Going: good to firm

6.30 (5f) 1, Pergola (R Fahey 6-11 fav); 2, Tradesman (4-1); 3, Prionsaa (12-1). 5l, nk. 8 ran. I Vickers. TOTE: £1.40; £1.10, £1.80. DF: £2.50. CSF: £3.86.

7. 0 (5f) 1, Mandrake Madam (M Fry 3-1); 2, Silky Light (13-8 fav); 3, Pokeree (25-1). Nk, 4l. 5 ran. Denys Smith. TOTE: £3.50; £2.30, £1.50. DF: £4.80. CSF: £7.87.

7.30 (1m): 1, Trailfinder (I Johnson, 5-4 fav); 2, Happy Springs (9-4); 3, Washburn Flyer (6-1) 4l, 10l. 6 ran. NR: Dancimmo. C Nelson. TOTE: £2.10; £1.10, £2.20. DF: £2.30. CSF: £4.02.

8.00 (7f): 1, Zaida (K Darley, 6-4 fav); 2, Fan Club (4-1); 3, Tree Fella (14-1). 5l, nk. 7 ran. J Etherington. TOTE: £2.00; £1.10, £2.90. DF: £3.30. CSF: £7.68.

8.30 (1m 4f) 1, Stone Jug (M Birch, 7-4 fav); 2, Tot (5-2); 3, Welsh Soy (9-2). 3l, 3l. 6 ran. Miss S Hall. TOTE: £2.10; £1.30, £1.40. DF: £2.70. CSF: £6.46.

TENNIS

Edberg the coolest of Swedes in the heat

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Paris

The first week of the French championships was delightfully hot and dizzy. Yesterday the tournament paused, as if the bustling vitality had temporarily been drained out of it by temperatures that persistently hovered between 90°F and 110°F. The championships contracted, too. Only four courts were needed. Juniors took over the rest.

The men's singles was reduced to eight: John McEnroe v Joakim Nystrom, Mats Wilander v Henri Leconte, Stefan Edberg v Jimmy Connors, and Martin Jaite v Ivan Lendl. The women's semi-finals will be Martina Navratilova v Claudia Kohde-Kilsch and Gabriela Sabatini or Manuela Maleeva v Terry Phelps or Chris Lloyd. Leconte, Edberg, Jaite, Miss Kohde-Kilsh, Miss Sabatini and Miss Phelps have done better than the ratings predicted.

Leconte, a good-looking chap who somehow combines élan with elegant hints of langour, embodies the dreams of France. A week before the championship he beat Lendl and Wilander at Dusseldorf. In Paris the left-handed Leconte has disposed of Andres Gomez and Yannick Noah. Leconte always had it in him but we doubted whether he had the sense and self-discipline to get it out. He has: and the man is a joy to watch.

Edberg, aged 19, had a good win yesterday over his compatriot, friend and doubles partner, Anders Jarryd. The temperature flirted with 110°F and Edberg admitted, later, that the heat bothered him for a while. Jarryd's service returns bothered him, too. But Jarryd could not play quite as well, except at the end of the second set – when his ground strokes achieved splendour and Edberg lost his timing on chipped backhand approach shots.

Jaite, aged 20, is the second best player in Argentina, behind José-Luis Clerc. He is a nimble, tenacious and resilient competitor who hits harder that he did a year ago and consequently has more chances to explore the forecourt. Jaite talks in an interesting way about the body's growing strength between the ages of 19 and 20. He has beaten Miloslav Mecir (jaded by an excess of success) and, yesterday, Heinz Gunthardt, who often found Jaite's game difficult to read and always had trouble trying to hit through Jaite's defences.

Miss Kohde-Kilsche, aged 21, who comes from Saarbrucken, is a lean, strong six-footer. Her victims have included Katerina Maleeva, Sylvia Hanika and, yesterday, Hana Mandlikova. It may be that the German has also beaten an enemy within – a tendency on big occasions, to be overwhelmed by self-doubt when opportunity beckons most urgently. There were signs of this yesterday but Miss Mandlikova was not playing well enough to exploit them.

Miss Sabatini, aged 15, and Miss Phelps, aged 18, did not play yesterday. Both are promising, specially Miss Sabatini, and neither has anything to lose. In the women's doubles we should note that since April, 1983, Miss Navratilova and Pamela Shriver have won 96 consecutive matches and seven consecutive Grand Slam championships. What an astonishing record that is. It challenges belief, too, that one first knew Miss Navratilova – now a trim, bespectacled American blonde – as a chubby Czechoslovak brunette. How inconstant her constancy has been.

You may think that the championships, Paris, and the heat have been an unalloyed pleasure. But there was a moment yesterday when, pausing to talk to the ducks during a jog through the Bois de Boulogne, I yearned for Sutherland: an ascent of Suilven or Canisp, perhaps both, followed by a cooling dip in some handy lochan. The temperature here is oppressive – and the competition will get hotter every day.

Men's singles

Fourth round: I Lendl (Cz) bt A Krickstein (US), 6-2, 6-2, 6-0; S Edberg (Swe) bt A Jarryd (Swe), 6-3, 6-7, 6-4, 6-2; J Connors (US) bt F Cancellotti (It), 3-6, 6-0, 6-4, 6-2; M Jaite (Arg) bt H Gunthardt (Switz), 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Women's singles

FOURTH ROUND: T Phelps (US) bt C Bassett (Can) 4-6, 6-0, 6-3; M Maleeva (Bul) bt S Gadusek (US) 7-5, 6-3.

Quarter-finals: M Navratilova (US) bt A M Cecchini (It), 6-2, 6-2; C Kohde-Kilsch (WG) bt H Mandlikova (Cz), 6-4, 6-4.

Men's doubles

THIRD ROUND: S Glickstein (Isr) and H Simonsson (Swe) bt H Gunthardt (Swe) and B Taroczy (Hun) 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.

J Nystroem and M Wilander (Swe) bt J Gunnarsson and M Mortensen (Swe), 6-3, 6-4.

Women's doubles

THIRD ROUND: A Holikova and K Skronska (CZ) bt C Suire (Fr) and S V Wade (GB) 3-6, 6-3, 11-9; E Burgin (US) and A Temesvari (Hun) bt R Fairbank and A Hobbs (GB) 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

C Lloyd (US) and P Paradis (Fr) bt K Horvath (US) and V Ruzici (Rom), 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Mixed doubles

FIRST ROUND: B Bunge (WG) and H Gildemeister (Chile) bt I Kuczynska (Pol) and M Gunthardt (Switz), 6-3, 7-6; P Teeguarden (US) and I Kley (Br) be E Inoue (Jap) and C Dowdeswell (GB), 7-6, 4-6, 6-3; A Villagran (Arg) and C Motta (Br), bt S Collins and M Davis (US), 6-3, 6-4.

SECOND ROUND: H Sukova and S Suk (Cz) bt S V Wade and J Feaver (GB), 6-4, 4-6, 6-2; Z Garrison and V Van Patten (US) bt C Benjamin and B Strode (US), 6-4, 6-4; N Reva and A Chesnokov (USSR) bt C Lindquist and M Tideman (Swe), 6-4, 6-1; C Tanvier (Fr) and M Bauer (US) bt P Medrado and G Barosa (Br), 6-2, 1-6, 9-7; S Goles and G Pripc (Yug) bt E Raponi-Longo and E Bengoechea (Arg), 6-4, 6-1; P Smith (US) and F Gonzalez (P Rico) bt P Shriver and K Flach (US), 4-6, 6-4, 9-7; B Herr and G Donnelly (US) bt B Jordan and C Dunk (US), 6-7, 6-3, 6-4; P Barg and S Meister (US) bt G Rush (US) and C Honey (SA), 7-5, 6-4; A Leand and M Mitchell (US) bt C Karlsson and H Simonsson (Swe) 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

C Jolissaint (Switz) and Z Kuharszky (stateless) bt Bassett (Can) and W Fibak (Pol) 6-2, 6-4; M Navratilova (US) and H Gunthardt (Switz) bt Bunge (WG) and Gildemeister (Chile), 6-3, 6-1: A M Villagran (Arg) and C Motta (Br) bt C Suire (Fr) and M Bahrami (Ir) 6-3, 4-6, 6-2; A Smith and S Giammalva (US) bt A Holikova and M Vajda (Cz), 1-6, 6-3, 13-11; P Teeguarden (US) and I Kley (Br) bt Pfaff and S Hermann (WG) 6-1, 7-6;

THIRD ROUND: A Minter and L warder (Aus) bt Reva and A Chesnokov (USSR) 6-1, 6-0; S Goles and G Pripic (Yug) bt Garrison and U Van Pattern (US), 7-5, 6-3; M Maleeva (Bul) and E Sanchez (Sp) bt A Smith and A Giammalva (US), 7-5, 7-5; P Smith (US) and F Gonzalez (P Rico) bt A Leand and M Mitchell (US), 6-3, 6-1. Sukova and S Suk (Cz) bt Herr and G Donnely (US) w/o.

Beckenham thrives

By David Powell

Five past champions have returned to Beckenham this week for the second oldest tournament in Britain. Now in its 100th year, Beckenham is pre-dated only by Wimbledon and such is the standard of entry for the men's singles that John Stickland, the tournament chairman, has suggested the field is the strongest ever.

The absence of any player from the top five in the world weakens his argument but, with more than one-third of the first round draw of 64 occupied by men from the leading 100, the eventual winner may be hard pressed to think of a champion who has laboured harder in recent years for such moderate prize money as £2,000.

The top seed is Kevin Curren, who won the title in 1981 and 1982 as a South African and is now hoping to do so as an American.

The women's seedings are headed by Steffi Graf, aged 15, of West Germany, while Dianne Balestrat, who won the title as Miss Fromholtz when Miss Graf was three years old, is the third seed.

Unusually, the draw comprises 56 players. The figure was raised from 48 to admit more British entries, but nine of the first 12 home women on court lost. The men fared no better, Stephen Shaw being the most prominent casualty.

MEN'S SINGLES (GB unless stated): First round: B Moir (SA) bt B Schultz (US) 1-6, 6-3, 7-5; T Mayotte (US) bt G Leyendecker (US) 6-1, 6-3; R Vant Hof (US) bt M Groetsch (US) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; C Steyn (SA) bt S Youl (Aus) 6-4, 6-3, 6-4; D Houston (Aus) bt W Masur (Aus) 6-4, 6-3; L Stefanki (US) bt M Bincow 6-1, 2-6, 6-4; M Freeman (US) bt R Whichello 6-4, 7-5; D Visser (SA) bt L Bourne (US) 5-7, 6-4, 6-4; M Leach (US) bt J Pugh (US) 6-3, 6-2; S Kruger (SA) bt M Baroch (Aus) 5-7, 7-6, 6-4; C Hooper (US) bt S Shaw 6-3, 7-5; E Edwards (SA) bt G Holmes (US) 7-6, 7-6; V Amitraj (India) bt J Sevely (US) 6-2, 6-3; M Kratzmann (Aus) bt K Van der Merwe (SA) 6-3, 6-1; P Reside by A Fillol (Chile) 6-4, 6-4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (GB unless stated): First round: M Brown (US) bt J Reeves 6-3, 6-2; M Groat (Can) bt J Langstaff 7-6, 6-4; B Gerken (US) bt B Welt 6-1, 6-0; G Kim (US) bt J Salmon 6-3, 6-2; K Kinney (US) bt M Parun (NZ) 6-2, 6-1; S Rimes (US) bt K Huebner (US) 6-3, 6-0; S Reeves bt J Tacon (Norfolk) 6-4, 6-3; J Louis bt S Sullivan 6-2, 6-7, 7-5; A Hulbert (US) bt S Schenck (US) 6-2, 6-4; B Norton (US) bt B Perry (NZ) 6-4, 6-2; W White (US) bt D Schaverman 6-0, 6-3; K McDaniel (US) bt S Timms 6-1, 6-1; R Uys (SA) bt K Brown 6-3, 6-1; T Mochizuki (US) bt S Nicholson (Ire) 6-7, 6-4, 7-5; R Bryant (Aus) bt M Reinach (SA) 6-3, 6-4; A Brown bt R Seeman (NZ) 6-1, 6-3.

FOR THE RECORD

GOLF

BETHESDA, Maryland, Kemper Open tournament (US unless stated): 278: B Glasson; 279: C Pavin, L Mize; 281: C Strange, W Wood; 282: G Norman (Aus); 283: L Wadkins, J Sluman; 284: R Wrenn, D Barr (Can), G Archer. British scores: 291: P Oosterhuis; 297: N Faldo.

CASTLE ROCK, Colorado: Champions of Golf Seniors Tournament: 213: L Elder. 214: P Thomson; 216: Billy Casper; 217: A Palmer; 218: K Still, D Sanders.

KINGS ISLAND, Ohio, LPGA tournament (US unless otherwise noted): 273: N Lopez. 281: A Miller. 284: L Garbacz, P Bradley. 286: A Finney, A Okamoto (Jap), C Flom.

MOTOR RACING

SNETTERTON: Willhire 24 Hour Race: 1, R Eaton/D Oates/ J Clark, 2.8 Ford Capri, 970 laps, 24hr 01min 06.89sec, 92.88mph; 2, M Carroll/M Wildes/M Knight/G Sauer, 2.3 Mercedes 190 Cosworth, 968 laps; 3, R Williams/M Ridley/D Wells/M Littlewood, 2.8 Ford Capri, 956 laps.

BASKETBALL

NWE YORK: NBA championship play-off series: Los Angeles Lakers 136, Boston Celtics 111 (Lakers lead 2-1)

MOTOCROSS

MONTEVACHI: Italian 500cc Grand Prix: First race: 1, D Thorpe (GB), Honda; 2, E Geboers (Bel), Honda; 3, M Magarotto (It), Kawasaki;

HANDBALL

BRITISH LEAGUE: Brentwood 20, Liverpool 16.

FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP: South American Group One: Venezuela 0, Peru 1; Colombia 1, Argentina 3. Group Three: Bolivia 0, Brazil 2.

SEOUL: President's Cup: Canada 2, Ghana 1; Atletico Huracan (Arg) 1, Thailand 0.

TENNIS

MANCHESTER: GMC grass court tournament (GB unless stated): Men's singles: First round: T Warneke (US) bt C Emery, 6-2, 6-3; G Michibata (Can) bt D Ison, 6-4, 6-2; R Akel (US) bt D Shaw, 6-3, 7-5; B Levine (US) bt M Masencamp (SA) 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; B Talbot (SA) bt C Karmode, 6-0, 6-3; D Johnson (SA) bt J Turner, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2; S Ickringill bt P Hugheaman, 7-6, 6-3; M Robinson bt D Sammel (SA) 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; A Burrow (SA) bt S Tucker, 6-0, 6-3; C Clarke bt J Howarth, 6-7, 7-6, 7-5; C Fancutt (Aus) bt S Botfield, 6-2, 6-1; S Heron bt P Moore, 6-2, 6-1; D Johnson (SA) bt D Felgate, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2; D Marradorp (SA) bt A Hellinger (US), 6-2, 6-3. Women's singles: First round: Jo Wentbt L Bakewell, 6-2, 6-2; J Went bt L Bakewell, 6-2, 6-2; B Remilton (Aus) bt S Bennett, 6-2, 6-2.

REAL TENNIS

HAYLING ISLAND: George Wimpey over 50s doubles: Semi-finals: P Brewer and D Bevan-Thomas bt R Swach and M Thomas, 6-4, 6-2; C Smith and T Segrave bt C Dean and B Jury, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4. Final: Brewer and Bevan-Thomas bt Smith and Segrave, 6-4, 6-3.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Minnesota Twins 5, Milwaukee Brewers 4; Detroit Tigers 4, California Angels 3; Baltimore Orioles 10, Oakland A's 1; Boston Red Sox 12, Texas Rangers 3; Chicago White Sox 4, Kansas City Royals 1; Seattle Mariners 7, New York Yankees 6; Cleveland Indians 5, Toronto Blue Jays 4; Toronto Blue Jays 5, Cleveland Indians 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE:

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	32	16	.667	–
Baltimore	27	20	.574	4½
Detroit	26	20	.565	5
New York	25	21	.543	6
Milwaukee	22	23	.489	8½
Boston	23	25	.479	9
Cleveland	17	32	.347	15½
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
California	27	21	.563	–
Chicago	24	21	.533	1½
Kansas	25	23	.521	2
Oakland	23	25	.479	4
Minnesota	22	26	.458	5
Seattle	21	27	.438	6
Texas	17	31	.354	10

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Pittsburgh Pirates 5, Atlanta Braves 0; Cincinnati Reds 8, St Louis Cardinals 3; New York Mets 7, San Diego Padres 3; San Francisco Giants 3, Philadelphia Phillies 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 8, Montreal Expos 7; Houston Astros 4, Chicago Cubs 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE:

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	29	16	.644	–
Chicago	27	18	.600	2
Montreal	28	21	.571	3
St Louis	24	23	.511	6
Pittsburgh	17	29	.370	12½
Philadelphia	17	30	.362	13
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
San Diego	27	19	.587	–
Cincinnati	26	22	.542	2
Houston	25	23	.521	3
Los Angeles	24	25	.490	4½
Atlanta	19	28	.404	8½
San Francisco	19	28	.404	8½

SOUTHERN ENGLAND ASSOCIATION: First division: Barnes Barnstormers 4, Cobham Yankees 45; Crawley Giants I 42, Rochester City Dodgers 8; Croydon Bluejays 0, London Warriors 33; Navy London Seahawks 11, Sutton Braves 12. Second division: Ashford Merlins 15, Enfield Spartans 36; Brighton Jets 18, Ashford Condors 28; Golders Green Sox 27, Crawley Giants II 4; Oxshott Orioles 7, Basildon Raiders 27. Third division: Croydon Borough Pirates 5, Waltham Abbey Arrows 8; Southampton Shooters 19, Burgess Hill Red Hats 13; Tonbridge Bobcats 31, City Slick Sidewinders 42.

RUGBY LEAGUE

WHANGAREI, North New Zealand: Northland 12, St Helens 42.

CYCLING

ORANGE, France: Dauphine Libere: Eighth stage (101km from Serres): 1, B Van Brabant (Bel), 2hr 22min 12 sec; 2, S Bauer (Can), 3, S Kelly (Ire), same time. Overall: 1, P Bazzo (Fr), 30:59:13; 2, S Rooks (Neth), at 3 sec; 3, P Anderson (Aus), at 00.45. Other placing: 9, R Millar (GB), at 9:19.

CRICKET

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Abingdon 190-3 dec, Berkhamsted 79-9; Bedford Modern 209-3 dec, Bishop's Stortford 164-6; Bromsgrove 157-5 dec, Bloxham 117-5; Colfe's 154-6 dec, St. Dunstan's 140-5; Colston's 151-6 dec, St. Brendan's 149-7; Durham 210-9 dec, Sedbergh 184-4; Eltham 226-5 dec (A Pritt 116 n.o), Trinity, Croydon 167-6; Epsom 170 (P Corcoran 139 n.o, D J Panto 7-58), Brighton 174-6; Felsted 247-3 dec, St. Paul's 220-5; Free Foresters 197-5 dec, Dean Close 120; Haileybury 255-7 dec, Oundle 168-8; Headmaster's XI 155, Fettes 156-6; Headmaster's XI 198-8 dec, Merchant Taylors', Northwood 194-8; Hurstpierpoint 198-3 dec, St. John's Leatherhead 165-6; Kent College 244-3 dec (A McGreggor 128), St Edmund's Canterbury 119; Kimbolton 199-7 dec, Wellingborough 167-6; King's, Bruton 163-7 dec, Kingswood 69; K.C.S. Wimbledon 137, King's Canterbury 138-4; King's Worcester 183, Christ, Brecon 184-5; Kingston G.S. 200 (S C R Cox 114), Reed's 203-3 (J R Jameson 125 n.o); Lancing 191, Cranleigh 72.

Magdalen Coll. Sch. 150-8 dec, *Doual 141-4; *Marlborough 260-8 dec, Millfield 216-7; M.C.C. 240-6 dec (A. Langley 118), *Enfield G.S. 156; M.C.C. 207, *Leighton Park 160; *Mill Hill 147 (L Tredgett 8-43), Dulwich 112; Monkton Combe 78, *King Edward's, Bath 81-4; *Monmouth 212-6 dec (S. James 102), Cheltenham 190; Old Georgians 197-7 dec, *St George's Weybridge 201-6; Oxford Authentics 125, *Bradfield 130-2; *Prior Park 107, Rendcomb 111-2; Queen's, Taunton 220-4 dec (M. Schofield 109), *Wellington, Somerset 33; *Repton 216-5 dec (N. Stocks 100 n.o.), Pocklington 172-7; *Rugby 227-6 dec (T.P. Skipper 112) and 113-5 dec, Clifton 197 (G. Bissett 6-38) and 100-7; Ruthin 170, *Caterham 62; St. Peter's, York 178, *Giggleswick 117-4; Sherborne 248-5 dec (R.W.F. Rintoul 133), *King's, Taunton 252-8; *Stowe 198-7 dec (R. Morris 100), St. Edward's, Oxford 124-8. *Sevenoaks 140-6 dec, King's, Rochester 141-7; Sutton Valence 207-4 dec, *Dover 156; *Taunton 293-9 dec, Blundell's 78; The Leys 206-6 dec, *Highgate 104-4. Tonbridge 197-7 dec and 197-7 dec (R. Owen-Browne 111 n.o.), Bedford 180-7 dec and 135; U.C.S. 47, Aldenham 51-2. *Wellington, Berks 246-8 dec, M.C.C. 98-8; Western Australia Public Schools 221-8 dec, *Nottingham H.S. 92-9; *Westminster 124, Alleyn's 125-8.

*Home team.

MOTOR CYCLING

ISLE OF MAN: Formula One TT (six laps, 226 miles): 1, J Dunlop (Honda, Ireland), 1hr 59min 12sec (113.95mph); 2, T Rutter (Suzuki, Brierly Hill), 2:04.52.8; 3, S Parrish (Yamaha, Royston), 2:05.5.8. Fastest lap: Dunlop, 19min 26.8sec (116.43mph).

ATHLETICS

HENDON: Southern Counties women's championships: Winners: 100 metres: S Joseph (Bromley), 12.0sec. 400m: L Keough (Basingstoke), 54.7. 1,500m: S Bailey (Bromley), 4:18.4. 100m hurdles: W Jeal (Harringay), 14.0. High jump: L Gittens (Chelmsford), 1.85m (championship record). Shot: J Oakes (Croydon), 17.82 (championship record). Javelin: J Rose (Hounslow), 57.2 (championship record).

ZURICH: Women's European Club Cup: 1, Bayer Leverkusen (WG), 214pts; 2, Slavonija Osijek (Yug) 174; 3, Stade Francais Paris (Fr) 161;

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Crash robs US team of two more riders

By John Wilcockson

What should have been a joyous two weeks of racing through the English countryside, has turned sour for the United States team in the Milk Race. Although Roy Knickman, their team leader, retained his overall second place on yesterday's eighth stage from Hull to Scarborough, he lost two more team colleagues, Andrew Paulin and Steve Tilford, who both crashed into a car on a one-in-five descent near Whitby.

The accident was described by Phil Bateman, a member of the England team, who was following the two Americans down Blue Bank into the village of Sleights, about two minutes behind the leaders. "We had slowed down for some sheep on the road," Bateman said, "but the Americans went on ahead. They were about 20 metres in front of me. We were going around a bend when a car appeared and they went straight into it, head on. The windscreen smashed with glass everywhere." Tilford had to be dragged from beneath the car and Paulin flew over the vehicle, landing on the road beyond.

After examination at Whitby hospital, a doctor said: "They are two very lucky lads. Tilford has a broken left collar bone and a badly bruised knee. Paulin has two suspected cracked ribs, a bruised left elbow, and a broken nose." Similar injuries were obtained by Tom Resh, the Americans' team colleague who crashed out of the race on the first stage.

Knickman has only one remaining team mate, and it will be difficult for him to mount a serious challenge to Toomas Kirsipuu, of the Soviet Union, who maintains a 43 seconds advantage over the American.

Despite a hard eight-mile chase after a puncture in the early part of the 86-miles stage, Kirsipuu was prominent after the race entered the north York moors, 30 miles from the finish. A group of 27 riders formed at the front after descending Blue Bank and subsequently climbing Ugglebarnby Hill, 18 miles from Scarborough.

It was here that Vladimir Kozarek, of Czechoslovakia, made the break that led to his fine stage victory inches ahead of Joergen Marcussen, a Danish professional, and Kvetoslav Palov, another Czechoslovak.

EIGHTH STAGE (Hull to Scarborough, 86 miles): 1, V Kozarek (Cz), 6 hrs 26 min 01sec; 2, J Marcussen (Den); 3, K Palov (Cz); 4, T Kirsipuu (USSR); 5, Z Ludwiniak (Pol); 6, M Jonak (Cz); 7, Z Jaskula (Pol); 8, M Durant (Bel) (Fangio); 9, J Pierce (US); 10, J Weltz (Den). (All same time).

OVERALL: 1, Kirsipuu 30hrs 24min 05sec; 2, R Knickman (US) at 43 sec; 3, V Pouritskov (USSR) at 1min 29sec; 4, S Voronin (USSR) 1min 51sec; 5, Palov 1min 53sec; 6, P Curran (Eng) 2min 13sec; 7, Durant 2min 26sec; 8, E Van Lancker (Bel) (Fangio) 2min 31sec; 9, O Czougeda (USSR) 3min 14sec; 10, V Kozarek 4min 05sec.

Gisiger wins

Modena, (Reuter) – Daniel Gisiger, of Switzerland won the seventeenth stage of the Giro D'Italia yesterday after leading for most of the undulating route from Cecina.

SEVENTEENTH STAGE (Cecina to Modena, 243km): 1, D Gisiger (Switz), 6hr 28min 12sec 38.328kph; 2, G Mantovani (It), at 7sec; 3, E Maechler (Switz) same time; 4, R Caruso (It) 21sec; 5, R Rand (It) 24sec; 6, C Cipollini (It) 29sec. Overall standings: 1, B Hinault (Fr); 2, F Moser (It) at 1:35min; 3, G Lemond (US) 2:33; 4, G Baronchelli (It) 4:02; 5, T Prim (Swe) 4:04; 6, Silvano Contini (It) 4:38.

ATHLETICS

Coe overcomes stomach trouble

Sebastian Coe, the Olympic 1,500 metres champion, has recovered from the stomach trouble that caused him to drop out of last Saturday's British League match at West London Stadium and will definitely race for his club, Haringey, in the GRE European Clubs' Trophy meeting at New River Sports Centre, Wood Green, this weekend.

His father and coach, Peter, said: "Seb has done some hard track training and came through without any problems." Coe will compete in the 1,500 metres on Saturday and in the 800 metres and 4x400-metres relay on Sunday.

POWERBOATING

Challenge in Guernsey

A Surrey businessman has teamed up with a Guernsey man in an effort to capture a world offshore powerboat championship in Guernsey this week (Bryan Stiles writes). John Moore, from Wallington, has built up a commendable reputation for successful aggressive driving and he will be depending heavily on the local navigational knowledge of David Corson to combat the tricky currents and tides around the island.

The biggest challenge in the 16-strong entry will come from the defending champion, Stefan Safstroem, of Sweden, in his 18ft Agrocat, which, like Moore's craft, wilbe powered by a 90hp Yamaha engine.

The championship, which will be contested over three races covering a total of 150 nautical miles, is the main event of the Peter Stuyvesant Guernsey International Powerboat Week, with the final race on Saturday being staged in conjuction with a United Kingdom national championship event.

MOTOR CYCLING

Rutter times his race perfectly

Tony Rutter won his eighth Isle of Man TT title yesterday in the 226-mile international Formula Two world championship event.

Rutter, aged 43, from the West Midlands, took the lead with one curcuit of the six-lap event to go.

Dave Hallam left it even later beforewinning his first Isle of Man Sidecar TT, going to the front in the finishing straight when the drive chain of the race leader, Mick Boddice, jumped off.

FORMULA TWO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TT (226 miles): 1, T Rutter (Ducati), 2hr 6min 0.8sec (107.79 mph); 2, J Weeden (Yamaha), 2:6:20.5 (107.50 mph); 3, G Padgett (Yamaha) 2:6:20.6 (105.85 mph). Record lap: B Reid (Yamaha) 20min 29.8 sec (108.46 mph).

SIDE-CAR TT (113 miles): 1, D Hallam (Yamaha), 1hr 5min 1.2 sec (104.45 mph); 2, M Boddice (Yamaha), 1:5:10.4 (104.20 mph); 3, N Smith, (Barton Phoenix), 1:5:23 (103.87 mph).

RACING: HEADQUARTERS MOUNTS STRONGEST EPSOM CHALLENGE FOR MANY YEARS

Derby in Newmarket's grasp

In 1954 Lester Piggott rode the first of his nine Derby winners on Never Say Die – the winner, and Arabian Night and Darius, who finished second and third, were all trained at Newmarket.

Now 31 years later the betting suggests that history has a good chance of repeating itself. Henry Cecil trains Slip Anchor, the favourite; Michael Stoute has charge of Shadeed, the winner of the 2,000 Guineas, and Supreme Leader, a strong – finishing third to Shadeed at Newmarket is housed in Clive Brittain's Carlburg stables on the Bury St Edmunds road.

Slip Anchor's stamina has already been proved beyond a shadow of a doubt by his 10-length victory in the always informative Lingfield Derby Trial. Shadeed showed that he has inherited the speed of his father, the 1970 triple crown winner, Nijinsky, not only in his 2,000 Guineas win, but also when beating Damister effortlessly by seven lengths in the Craven Stakes.

Lanfranco doubt

Both camps are quietly confident, despite the mounting tension as D-Day approaches. Cecil, may have Lanfranco to represent him as well as Slip Anchor, although the former will be withdrawn if there is no rain before tomorrow. Cecil thinks that Lanfranco is sure to run well, if he gets the right ground, but Lord Howard de Walden's resolute galloper is obviously the principal standard bearer for Warren Place in its quest for a first Derby winner.

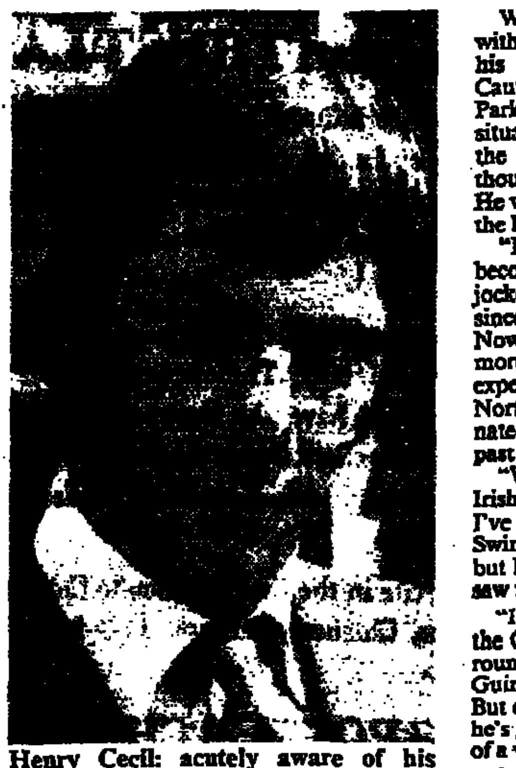
At the age of 42, the flamboyant Cecil has been champion trainer five times in the past nine seasons. But despite his seven classic victories in England and Ireland, he is acutely aware of his disappointing record at Epsom.

"I'm not going to say that I'm going to win the Derby," Cecil says. "How can I, as I've never done it. But, I'm confident that we've done all we can, and that both horses have outstanding chances.

"We had problems with Slip Anchor in his younger days. His blood was too thick, so not enough oxygen was getting through to his brain. He use to loose coordination and become giddy at the end of his races. But we managed to cure the problem."

"He's improved out of all recognition this season, particularly in the past three weeks. He's grown up, become a man, and learnt to settle. We can do what we like with him. He doesn't have to make the running, but, if the gallop isn't strong enough, he's sure to be forcing the pace."

As for Oh So Sharp, the 7-4 favourite for the Oaks, the trainer is clearly almost in love with Sheikh Mohammed's 1,000 Guineas winner. "She's got so much speed, it's unreal. I know it's sticking my neck out to say so, but she could be another Petite Etoile," he said, looking up at the painting of the Aly Khan's immortal mare, which hangs over the chimney piece.



Henry Cecil: acutely aware of his *disappointing Epsom record*

Steve Cauthen, the 25-year-old reigning champion jockey who is under contract to Cecil, has been riding like a man inspired this season and talks with a confidence born of success. "Slip Anchor is a tough horse. He's already shown that he stays and can handle gradients. He's getting better day by day, and he certainly knows it. I could have won by 20 lengths at Lingfield, as I started pulling him up a furlong out when I was 10 lengths clear."

Until last week, Shadeed was virtually friendless in the market. Despite Stoute's outstanding record with middle distance colts – he has won three Derbys and a King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes with Shergar and Shareef Dancer – the pundits have been doubting whether this high-class colt's nerves will be capable of withstanding the long-drawn-out preliminaries and excitement of Derby Day.

However, the relaxed appearance of Shadeed when walking round at Newmarket during racing last Saturday, coupled with the infectious confidence of a stable in peak form, has unleashed a last-minute wave of public support. Informed opinion suggests Shadeed may yet replace Slip Anchor as favourite.

Walter Swinburn, Stoute's stable jockey, with his confidence boosted sky high by his victory on Disglyphard against Cauthen and Vin de France at Kempton Park on Saturday night, analyses the situation thus. "I watched him carefully in the paddock at Newmarket, and I never thought that he was close to boiling over. He was just a higly-strung athlete ready for the big day."

"I think we can forget about him becoming a bit upset at Newbury", the jockey continued. "He's done no work since Newmarket and was very fresh there. Now, he's right on the button and much more relaxed. Swinburn already has experience of the prepotent and explosive Northern Dancer blood that has dominated the European racing scene in the past few seasons.

"When I rode Shareef Dancer in the Irish Derby, it was the best performance I've ever known by a horse in my life," Swinburn says. "I wanted to wait longer, but he was pulling my arms out. When he saw the gap, he just took off.

"I had the same feeling on Shadeed in the Craven. I never even bothered to look round. He wasn't the same horse in the Guineas, but he's back in that form now. But of course, he's got to prove he stays, as he's got so much speed. That's much more of a worry than the parade."

Coming from the man who also rode Shergar to victory in the 1981 Derby, and All Along to her triumphs in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and American autumn triple crown in 1983, this is high praise

Radiating class

Let George Robinson, a life-long work watcher at Newmarket, have the last word. "Shadeed radiated class on Saturday. You've got to hand it to Michael Stoute. He's pulled out all the stops to have the horse trained to perfection. Some horses are easy to handle, but not those like Shadeed. You've got to be trying to outthink them all the time.

"But I've got to fo for Slip Anchor", Robinson continues. "All his work has been so consistent and high-class and only a really good horse can make all the running at Newmarket like he did in the Heathorn Stakes and win in a fast time. And it is Supreme Leader to take third place".

It would be foolish to dismiss lightly the claims of Theatrical, Law Society and Damister, to name but three of the other runners. However, Newmarket, as the headquarters of racing for 300 years, can seldom have held a stronger hand in what Benjamin Disraeli once called the blue riband of the turf.

Michael Seely

Jarvis is sold on Dorset Cottage

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

There will be no end of celebrating in Phantom House, Newmarket, this evening if Dorset Cottage (nap) wins the first division of the Kings Head Maiden Stakes at Beverley this afternoon, as well he may after an excellent run behind Kufuma at Pontefract last month.

If everything works out, he will be the first winner trained by Willian Jarvis who, earlier this year, at the age of 24, became the latest member of a famous racing dynasty to take out a licence and train at Newmarket.

As anyone who has embarked on that precarious career of training racehorses will testify, your first winner is often the hardest and as a result the most savoury. In Jarvis's mind the taste of success this afternoon will be particularly good because not only is Dorset Cottage a cast-off from one of the bigger battalions in this country, but he is also owned by Sheikh Mohammed, whose wealth, enthusiasm and continued support would be just the thing to set a young man on his way.

Sentiment apart, Dorset Cottage has the right credentials to pass today's test with flying colours. He began his racing career by finishing seventh in the Wood Ditton Stakes, run at Newmarket in April for three-year-olds who have never run. This year the race is turning out to be a good barometer for once.

In his next race Dorset Cottage ran Kufuma to threequarters of a length at Pontefract. In so doing he finished five lengths ahead of the remainder and Kufuma is the horse who ran Scottish Reel to a short head at Ripon. In the meantime, Scottish Reel has won a valuable handicap at York easily.

At Salisbury I will not be surprised if Peter Walwyn, the Seven Barrows trainer, wins both the Tryon Handicap with Indian Hal and the Rubbing House Maiden Fillies Stakes with Nashia. If Indian Hal comes up to scratch he will then be en route to Royal Ascot for a crack at the Britanni Stakes. All that suggests to me that he ought to be capable of winning today off 8st 7lb after his four-lengths win at Pontefract last month.

Nashia, who was beaten only three lengths by Land Of Ivory on her debut at Sandown now boasts that little bit of precious expereince that Aliata, Defy Me and Kingscote will all lack on their racing debut in the Rubbing House Stakes. They nevertheless are well worth watching with the future in mind, because Aliata is a half sister to the American stallion, Topsider, by Mr Prospector; Defy Me, a half sister to that fast filly, Forty Second Street; and Kingscote by Kings Lake out of the talented mare, Bold Fantasy.

At Lingfield Park, the course specialist, Al-Amead, turns out for the Summer Handicap with a clear chance of winning again there, even though his weight has been increased to 9st 12lb by the penalty that his latest success over the course entailed.

Four more for Weld

After Saturday's five-timer at Phoenix Park, Dermot Weld's winner factory continued production in Ireland yesterday with four more victories including the group three Ballyogan Stakes at Leopardstown with Committed and the featured Crystal Handicap at Tramore with Stracomer Nurse (Our Irish Correspondent writes).

It was an especially impressive return to action by Committed, who with little more than a furlong to go, was being led by half a dozen of her rivals. Switched to the outside, she quickened in electriying manner to take the lead, and win cleverly by a neck from Aberuschka with Sharp Romance, in third place.

The first three are all engaged in the King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot. Weld's other two Leopardstown winners, the two-year-old Bravo Fox and the three-year-old Lucky Consort will also be included in his Royal Ascot team.

Aga's views on Shergar

In a television interview to be screened on Derby day the Aga Khan says he believes the IRA were responsible for the disappearance of the 1981 Derby winner, Shergar.

In the Thames television programme *Talking Personally*, the Aga Khan, majority shareholder in the Shergar syndicate, says: "I think that all the information I have, and continue to get, is that this was an IRA kidnapping.

"It was part of a strategy to raise money through kidnapping, and this was a high-profile attempt to affect public opinion, because you remember that Shergar's kidnapping was followed by the kidnapping of a number of people.

"I don't even think the IRA necessarily understood what a stallion syndicate was or how it funcioned. They clearly kidnapped the wrong type of asset", the Aga Khan says.

POINT-TO-POINT

No luck for ladies in waiting at Exmoor

While Doreen Calder was enjoying her moment of glory on Saturday, point-to-pointing was continuing in the West Country (Brian Beel writes). At Bratton Down the Exmoor Hunt had a successful meeting with three contenders for the runner-up position in the ladies' championship, Lucy Crow, Alison Dare and Rosemary Vickery, all present, but all out of luck.

Lucy Crow, who earlier that morning at the PPOA dinner had been presented with the Wilkinson Sword for the leading young rider of the year – it should have been the night before but the dinner had gone into extra time – pulled up on Castle Final in the BFSS race and was unseated at the 18th on Isaac in the ladies'.

Awards were presented at the PPOA dinner to the owners of the leading young horses in the 14 point-to-point areas.

AWARDS: Northern: Mr J Dunn's Nelson's Beach (Lauderdale). Yorkshire: Mrs S Knowles's J J Henry (Middleton). North-West: Mr E Crow's Debt Follower (North Shropshire). Midlands: Mr C Dawson's Sweet Diane (Southwold). East Anglia: Mr J Turner's Barstick (Suffolk). South East: Mrs M Dawson's Ballysure (East Sussex and Romney Marsh). Sandhurst: Mr M Mitchell's Jymasio (RMAS). South Midlands: Mr J Webber's Brockle Law (Bicester). West Midlands: Mr P Greenall's Highland Blaze (Worcester). Welsh Borders: Mr W Blane's Captain Kelly (Ludlow). South Wales and Mon: Mr B Harlow's Mr Moneybags (Pentyrch). West Wales: Mr K Long's Final Clear (Pembrokeshire). Taunton: Mr B Pike's Rushy Mead (Blackmore and Sparkford Vale). Devon and Cornwall: Mrs R Bratchley's Phil Grey (East Cornwall).

Devalois to miss Oaks

Criquette Head as decided against running Devalois in the Gold Seal Oaks at Epsom next Saturday (Desmonid Stoneham writes). Having spoken with her father, Alec, last night Mme Head will now saddle both the Prix Saint-Alary winner, Fitnah, and Devalois for the Prix de Dianie Hermes (French Oaks) on Sunday June 16. Freddie Head will have the choice of the two fillies and Gary Moore will ride the other.

The English jumpers Aonoch, Bajan Sunshine and Out of the Gloom did not fare too well at Auteuil yesterday afternoon. In the Prixia Barka, which went to Video Tape, Bajan Sunshine could manage only seventh place, with Aonoch eighth.

In the Prix de Longchamp Out of the Gloom never looked likely to finish in the first four and came home in ninth position. The winner was the 13-1 chance, Malicar.

SALISBURY

Going: Firm

Draw: 5f-7f, high numbers best

2.0 BISHOPSTONE SELLING HANDICAP (£969: 7f) (20 runners)

1 000-000 MOONDAWN (D) (G Hughes) M Usher 4-9-10 .... W R Swinburn 9
2 400- WOOMARGAMA (Mrs D Strakes) R Hannon 3-9-2 .... A McGlone 1
4 00-040 LADY COOMBE (A Warren Coombe Farm) M Blanshard 3-8-0 .... J Reid 2
5 /00-000 ATITHARBOS (D) (J Brooks) T M Jones 4-8-13 .... P Cook 3
6 000-000 FALLETINE (North Cheshire Trade & Store) D H Jones 4-8-13 .... D J Williams 7 4
7 /0-0000 ABJAD (R Collins) W G Morris 4-8-12 .... J Williams 10
9 000000- VAGUE MELODY (E Clapton) G Balding 3-8-8 .... W Higgins 18
10 140004- FULL OF ALE (J Hurst) R Howe 3-8-8 .... R P Elliott 14
11 0/0-00 ORANGE NEST (M Murnaghan) R Hoad 4-8-7 .... Non-runner 6
12 300-100 JODY'S BOY (D) (Mrs M Stevens) B Stevens 4-8-7 .... D McKay 6
13 0000-02 DALLAS SMITH (J Wickins) R Akehurst 4-8-6 .... W Carson 20
14 000-000 FORT DUCHESNE (R Bastian) M Madgwick 3-6-8 .... R Guest 8
16 00-00 LORD RAGLAN (B Keay) L Holt 3-8-5 .... P Waldron 15
18 00000-0 PURPLE SONG (D Price) C Drew 4-8-3 .... A Shoults 5 12
19 0400-00 KINZ (B) (H James) P Butler 4-8-2 .... R McGhin 7
22 40040- COROBAPOPPIN (J Bird) A Moore 3-7-13 .... S Whitworth 3 13
23 000000- SHOP TALK (D Roberts) D H Jones 3-7-11 .... – 11
25 0000-0 TUDOR TRIX (Mrs B Dash) D Marks 3-7-9 .... – 19
26 0000-0 BILL'S ROCKET (G Rhodes) D Marks 3-7-8 .... N Adams 5 16
27 00-004 SOLSTICE BELL (Mrs H Kilburn) R Voorspuy 3-7-8 .... R Fox 17

1984: Hopeful Waters 4-8-0 W Carson (5-1 fav) J Spearing 20 ran.

11-4 Lady Coombe, 7-2 Lord Raglan, 9-2 Dallas Smith, 6 Woomargama, 8 Full Of Ale, 10 Jody's Boy, 12 others.

FORM: WOOMARGAMA, unplaced final start, earlier (8-8) 5l 4th of 23 to Mill Sparrow (8-8) at Windsor (6f stakes, £1,327, good to firm, Aug 25). LADY COOMBE, unplaced last time, previously (8-11) 6½l 4th of 15 to Red Red Rose (8-11) at Warwick (6f stakes, £700, good to soft, Apr 29). FULL OF ALE (8-2) 6½l 4th of 29 to Hyperbaric (8-11) in Newmarket seller (7f stakes, £3,262, good, Oct 3). JODY'S BOY, unplaced last time, earlier (9-0) beat Boss Fastes (8-12) 2½l at Brighton (7f sell h'cap, £863, good to soft, Apr 11, 10 ran). DALLAS SMITH, unplaced Lingfield last week, previously (9-0) ½l 2nd of 10 to Greek Banker (9-9) at Brighton (6f sell stakes, £836, good, May 19), with SOLSTICE BELL (8-5) 4l away 4th and JODY'S BOY (9-0) a further 4½l away 6th.

Selection: JODY'S BOY.

Salisbury selections

2.0 Dallas Smith. 2.30 Brown Bear Boy. 3.0 Absent Lover. 3.30 Indian Hal. 4.0 Nashia. 4.30 El Raggass.

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2.30 Brown Bear Boy. 3.00 Sidab. 4.00 Another Jose. 4.30 El Raggass.

2.30 DURNFORD HANDICAP (£2,485: 6f) (8)

2 41200-1 TODAY AND TOMORROW (D) (S Al-Qamlas) G Huffer 4-9-10 (7 ex) .... G Carter 5 1
4 11000-0 FEYDAN (Mrs H Seymour) L Cottrell 4-8-8 .... J Mercer 5
5 000-004 FREE RANGE (D) (Miss D Green) L Holt 5-8-7 .... Angela Frampton 7 4
6 4-10000 BROWN BEAR BOY (B) (D) (F Northcott) R Armstrong 3-8-7 .... W Carson 2
7 02-1340 AL TRUI (CD) (BF) (M Saunders) S Mellor 5-9-6 .... M Wigham 6
10 013-0 PETROVICH (J Horgan) R Hannon 3-8-7 .... Pat Eddery 7
11 000-400 HATCHING (D) (E Gadsden) M Blanshard 4-8-6 .... J Reid 3
12 2000-00 ELAINE ANN (D) (A Papolio) M J Haynes 4-8-0 .... – 8

1984: Alakh 4-8-7 Pat Eddery (7-2 fav) J Tree 14 ran.

13-8 Today And Tomorrow, 5-2 Petrovich, 9-2 Free Range, 8 Feydan, 10 Al Trui, 12 Brown Bear Boy, 16 others.

FORM: TODAY AND TOMORROW (9-9) beat Russian Winter (9-12) 3l at Ayr h'cap, £2,215, good, May 24, 11 ran. FREE RANGE (9-3) 6½l 4th of 10 to Al-Mead (9-4) at Lingfield (6f h'cap, £2,586, good to soft, May 25). AL TRUI, unplaced latest outing, last ran over 5f when (8-5) beating Cornchamp (8-5) a short head over course and distance £2,200, heavy, Apr 13, 12 ran), when HATCHING (9-0) 5½l away 4th and ELAINE ANN (7-7) 8th. PETROVICH, reared up start and always behind on reappearance, last season (9-0) beat Safe Custody (9-0) a head at Sandown (5f mdn, £1,637, good to firm, July 26, 8 ran.

Selection: PETROVICH.

3.00 HOFMEISTER LAGER HANDICAP (£2,691: 1m 2f) (10)

1 00-210 RAMADI DAWN (D) (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 4-9-10 .... W R Swinburn 3
2 000-211 ABSENT LOVER (F Yardley) F Yardley 4-9-6 (5 ex) .... J Johnson 9
4 0341-0 GRUNDY LANE (A Millward) M Pipe 3-9-3 .... W Carson 4
5 00032-0 BOND DEALER (C) (B) (R Hodges) R Hodges 8-9-0 .... A McGlone 7
6 200-000 SIDAB (G Palmer) W Musson 5-8-12 .... Pat Eddery 10
10 20-044 SPITE AND MALICE (Miss A Whitfield) M Francis 3-8-4 .... Paul Eddery 8
11 0-04000 THE UPSTART (The Bison Club) K Brassey 3-8-2 .... S Whitworth 3 5
12 00-00 BIRAS CREEK (BF) (Lady R Wellesley) J Tree 3-7-13 .... K Williams 6
15 0 HURRICANE HILL (Motor Auction Go Ltd) B Stevens 8-7-10 .... D McKay 2
17 0/0- BLACK EARL (A Greig) I Wardle 8-7-7 .... – 1

1984: Follow The Stars 4-8-7 S Cauthen (8-1) D Elsworth 13 ran.

9-4 Absent Lover, 7-2 Ramadi Dawn, 9-2 Biras Creek, 6 Spite And Malice, 8 Grundy Lane, 12 Bond Dealer, Sidab, 20 others.

FORM: RAMADI DAWN, unplaced last time, previously (9-7) beat Baroncourt (8-8) 3l at Redcar (1m 2f Maiden, £1,144, good to firm, May 7, 16 ran). ABSENT LOVER (9-3) beat El Gitano (8-10) 1¾l at Wolverhampton (9f h'cap, £1,710, May 21, soft, 22 ran). SIDAB (7-8) about 7½ 8th of 13 to K-Battery (9-13) at Redcar (1m 2f h'cap, £11,210, good to soft, May 27). SPITE AND MALICE (8-2) about 3½ 4th of 8 to Rakaposhi King (8-0) at Leicester (1m 2f h'cap, £2,578, soft, May 28). THE UPSTART (8-3) 7½ 5th of 11 to Moss Empire (7-10) at Windsor (1m 4f h'cap, £2,363, good to firm, May 20), with BIRAS CREEK (7-10) at Windsor (1m 4f h'cap, £2,383, good to firm, May 20), with BIRAS CREEK (7-12) 8th.

Selection: ABSENT LOVER.

3.30 TRYON HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,350: 1m) (11)

2 30-3210 STAR FORMATION (CD) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 9-7 .... W R Swinburn 7
3 43-000 THE FOOTMAN (P Powell) D Elsworth 9-7 .... B Rouse 9
5 2-00 MONDANITE (K Abdulla) J Tree 9-5 .... Pat Eddery 2
6 200-023 CURTAIN BLUFF (P Mellon) I Balding 9-2 .... P Cook 8
8 1200 BEAU DIAMOND (Mrs M Francis) M Francis 9-0 .... Paul Eddery 11
10 000-000 SUPER REGAL (B) (Mrs N Lewis) G Lewis 8-12 .... P Waldron 1
11 00-4110 HABS LAD (C) (S Hunt) D Laing 8-9 .... J Reid 6
12 4030-20 DOMYNGA (Mrs C Heath) J Bethell 8-9 .... W Carson 4
14 334-331 INDIAN HAL (D) (Mrs R Waters) P Walwyn 8-7 (5 ex) .... N Howe 10
18 000- MELSON (L Ward) R Hannon 7-7 .... R Fox 5
19 000-000 ROAD TO KELLS (J Saunders) C Benstead 7-7 .... T Williams 3 3

1984: Portlaw 5-8 Pat Eddery (9-2) J Tree 15 ran.

5-2 Indian Hal, 7-2 Star Formation, 9-2 Mondanite, 8 Curtain Bluff, 8 Habs Lad, 10 Domynga, 12 Beau Diamond, 20 others.

INDIAN HAL (8-6) beat Tutbury (7-7) at Pontefract (8f H'cap £3061, soft, May 24, 13 ran), with CURTAIN BLUFF (9-3) neck away 4th and STAR FORMATION (9-13) 5th. STAR FORMATION, previously, (9-4) beat CURTAIN BLUFF (9-2) 1½l over course and distance (£2417, hard, May 9, 11 ran with INDIAN HAL (8-8) 1½ away 3rd THE UPSTART (8-13) about 2l further away, (9-7) 15l 8th of 13 Kip at Windsor (6f h'cap, £2372, good, May 19). HABS LAD, unplaced last time. Previously (8-12) beat Alquirra (9-7) a neck here (7f h'cap, £2321, firm, May 8, 8 ran). DOMYNGA, unplaced Chepstow last week, previously (9-2) 2l 2nd of 12 to English Spring (8-11) at Epsom (8.5f h'cap, £2688, good, Apr 24).

Selection: STAR FORMATION.

4.0 RUBBING HOUSE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-y-o: £1,572: 5f) (11)

1 ALIATA (J B Moseley) I Balding 8-11 .... P Cook 10
2 ANOTHER JOSE (D Goldstein) F Durr 8-11 .... G Starkey 2
4 CANE IN THE AIR (Dr C Budd) P Butler 8-11 .... R McGhin 11
7 DEFY ME (Sir J Astor) W Hern 8-11 .... W Carson 3
8 KINGSCOTE (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-11 .... Pat Eddery 6
10 4 NASHIA (Y Nasib) P Walwyn 8-11 .... J Mercer 7
11 NIMSKELLI (T J Wood) D Sasse 8-11 .... D McKay 9
14 0 RUPPYWALKER (A G Russell) R Voorspuy 8-11 .... A Murray 1
15 SEA SHANTY (D B Clark) W Wightman 8-11 .... J Johnson 4
17 0 THE LADY GRANIA (Mrs G Samuelson) R Hannon 8-11 .... R Wernham 5
19 TOBAGO DANCER (R J Shannon) R Hannon 8-11 .... A McGlone 8

1984: Devon Defender 8-11 R Fox (12-1) D Elsworth 21 ran.

9-4 Kingscote, 11-4 Nashia, 4 Defy Me, 11-2 Aliata, 8 Another Jose, 12 others.

4.30 LAVERSTOCK MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £1,703: 1m 4f) (15)

2 04 AS CHARGED (W R Hawn) R Armstrong 9-0 .... W Carson 6
3 2 COPSE AND ROBBERS (Capt M Smyly) M Smyly 9-0 .... J Mercer 10
4 0- COURT APPEAL (A Macdonald-Buchanan) R J Houghton 9-0 .... W R Swinburn 1
5 000 EL RAGGAAS (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 9-0 .... A Murray 14
7 00 PORT RUPERT (L Smith) P Walwyn 9-0 .... – 8
8 0-0 GOODMAN POINT (S Niarchos) G Harwood 9-0 .... G Starkey 9
9 00- HIGH PLAINS (R Barnett) H Candy 9-0 .... R Curant 15
10 KINGSBROOK (J Leavett-Shenley) W Wightman 9-0 .... J Johnson 5
13 00-0 SHAGAYLE (E Clapton) G Balding 9-0 .... J Williams 4
15 00-0 SPEEDY BOY (Mrs D Honner) K Brassey 9-0 .... S Whitworth 3 11
18 0 TRUE WEIGHT (M Madgwick) M Madgwick 9-0 .... R Guest 13
22 240 YPSILANTIS (Capt M Lamos) C Brittain 9-0 .... P Waldron 3
25 0-4 ENA OLLEY (A J Bingley Ltd) C Bell 8-11 .... Paul Eddery 12
26 KALIMPONG (J Heyworth) R Smyly 8-11 .... P Cook 2
28 0 ORANGE HILL (R McCreary) J Tree 8-11 .... Pat Eddery 7

1984: Lykaion 9-0 Pat Eddery 11-2 J Tree 15 ran.

3 Orange Hill, 4 Copse And Robbers, 9-2 Court Appeal, 5 Goodman Point, 7 Ypsilantis, 10 High Plains, 12 others.

FORM: AS CHARGED: (8-11) 7½l 4th of 5 to Grand Pavlola (8-5) at Doncaster (1m 2f stakes, £2,080, good to soft, May 25). COPSE AND ROBBERS (9-0) 5l 2nd of 15 to Golden Promise (9-0) at Newbury (1m 3f mdn, £2,525, good to firm, May 18), with ENA OLLEY (8-11) 4½l away 4th and ORANGE HILL (8-11) ½l away 5th. EL RAGGAAS (8-10) just under 6l 6th of 7 to line of fire (8-10) at York (1m 2.5f stakes, £4,214, soft, May 15). SPEEDY BOY (9-0) every chance 2f out when 7th of 18 to poler cub (9-0) at Haydock (1m 4f mdn, £2,395, good to soft, May 24). YPSILANTIS, outclassed behind Slip Anchor last time, previously (9-0) 10l 4th of 18 to Skaramanga (9-0) at Newbury (1m 3f mdn, £2,637, Apr 19), with Goodman Point (9-0) 16½l away 8th and FORT RUPERT (9-0) tailed off.

SELECTION: COPSE AND ROBBERS

Bath results

2.00 (5f 167yd) 1, TINTAGUE (Pat Eddery, 11-4); 2, My Advocate (A McGlone, evens-fav); 3, Sharp Reply (R Hills, 100-30). ALSO RAN: 16 Tinsel Rose, 25 (4th). NR: Solent Lad, Odervy, Sunset Ridge. 5 ran. 1l, 1l, 2½l, 3l, D Elsworth at Whitsbury. TOTE: £2.80; £1.20, £1.30. DF: £2.40. CSF: £5.54.

2.30 (5f 167yd) 1, EMPIRE BLUE (T Quinn, 1-2 fav); 2, Dalegro (R Hills, 10-1); 3, Mount Dominica (Pat Eddery, 5-2). ALSO RAN: 12 Reina Perena (4th), Tibet (5th), 20 First Opportunity, 33 Cloud Chaser, Run Charlie (6th). NR: Hamelin. 8 ran. 1 ½l, hd, 1 ½l, 3l, 12l, P Cole at Lambourn. TOTE: £1.80; £1.10, £1.60, £1.20. DF: £7.70. CSF: £8.09.

3.00 (5f 167yd) 1, MAKE ME HAPPY (N Adams 4-1 fav); 2, Manimstar (Pat Eddery 4-1); 3, Gee Bay (W Carson 4-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Hesson King, 14 Lily of Rmos (5th), Tachyon Park, Yangtse-Kiang (4th), 16 Non-Wet (6th), 33 Brokes, Taw. 9 ran. 4l, 1½l, 3l, 2½l, J Holt at Basingstoke. TOTE: £2.80; £1.60, £1.50, £1.80. DF: £4.80. CSF: £8.07.

3.30 (5f) 1, ELTON MOOR (B Thomson 2-1 fav); 2, Shibenda (W Carson 7-2); 3, Panel (Pat Eddery 7-2). ALSO RAN: 13-2 African Flight, 14 Henry's Venture (4th), 16 Friends for Ever, 20 Sarah Shadow, 33 Disport (5th), Nager, Pen Taw, Donnal Deux, Rams Flower, Golden Selvo, She Knows It All (6th), Sunny Reproach. 15 ran. Neck, ½l, 1½l, 3l, ½l. J Hindley at Newmarket. TOTE: £3.50, £1.80, £2.20, £1.10. DF: £8.60. CSF: £9.18.

4.00 (1m 3f 150yd) 1, VELOS (R Fox, 11-4 fav); 2, Master Francis (J Reid, 16-1); 3, Palace Hill (Pat Eddery, 5-2). ALSO RAN: 4 Courageous Charger, 5 Bell Ringer (6th), High Forest, 12 Vaguely Artistic (4th), 16 Andromaque, Horks, Peatfold, Precondition. 20 Poderose, Sunset Reef, 25 Processionary, 33 Maskeen (5th), Sharpelong, Bidding Season, Courtland Girl, Sweet and Golden. 19 ran. ½l, 1l, 1½l, 2l. B Hills, at Lambourn. TOTE: £4.00; £1.30; £18.10, £2.50; DF: £59.50; CSF: £52.02.

4.30 (1m 3f 12yd) 1, MOSS EMPIRE (Pat Eddery, 8-11 fav); 2, Water Ballet (G Starkey, 3-1); 3, Tseeb (R Hills, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Hi-Tech Boy (4th), 12 Court Jewel, 20 Brady's Lady (6th), Rainbow Star (5th). 7 ran. ½l, 20l, 1½l, 12l, R Hannon, at Marlborough. TOTE: £1.70; £1.10, £1.80. DF: £2.20; CSF: £3.54.

Folkestone

1.45 (6f) 1, BIPTONE LADY (J Carter 9-1); 2, Distant Blanche (Darren Dinsley 7-2); 3, Enchanted Lady (G Marsh 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Sky By Night (5th), Dissing (4th), 9 Patsy's Tsrd (6th), 10 Racine City. 7 ran. 5l, ¾l, 2l, 4l, 3l. M Usher at Lambourn. TOTE: £14.40; £5.10, £3.50; DF: £15.80. CSF: £34.17.

2.15 (1m 2f) 1, WIZZARD ART (B Raymond 9-2); 2, Million Bay (B Rouse 7-2 fav); 3, Half's Prince (G Duffield 5-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Chateau Ara, 11-2 Tashonya (4th), 11 Sobrante Quinas (5th), 12 Irish Guest, 14 Steal The Show, 20 Indian Vanity, Tavisgrove (6th), 33 Silly Question, Twice Fair. 12 ran. NR: Kabuti. ¾l, 3l, sht hd, 10l, ¾l. M Haynes at Epsom. TOTE: £7.80, £2.40, £2.00, £1.30. DF: £11.40. CSF: £21.12.

2.45 (1m 4f) 1, ROYAL SUITOR (J Mercer 8-1); 2, For A Lark (B Raymond 4-1); 3, Magic Island (A Clark 10-11 fav). ALSO RAN: 10 Keep The Hash, 12 Bird Brain, Northern Hope (4th), 20 Headley Hall (5th), Sharpaman, 33 Expecting To Fly (6th), Wollow Bay. 10 ran. 5l, ¾l, 10l, 30l, neck. G Harwood at Pulborough. TOTE: £5.70; £1.50, £1.30, £1.30. DF: £6.90. CSF: £30.64.

3.15 (6f) 1, CAMILLA'S BOY (M Wigham 10-1); 2, Nyam Of Harlech (G Duffield 9-2); 3, Laqueus (J Mercer 1-3 fav). Also ran: 40 The Sportsman (4th). 4 ran. Sh-hd, 3l, 20l. M Usher at Lambourn. Tote: £8.40; DF: £8.60; CSF: £39.14.

3.45 (1m 7f 100yd) 1, FOREWARN (G Baxter 9-2 fav); 2, Islander (G Landau 15-2); 3, Puget (A Murray 11-1); 4, Be My Wings (J Mercer 9-1). Also ran: 15-2 Dragon Place, 15-2 Bluesher, Snowy River, 8 Height Of Summer (5th), 10 Mariners Dream, Tarts Chariot, Tropical Mist, 14 Mr Caractacus, 20 Letchworth, Tigerwood (6th), 33 Zircon's Sun, My Cherie, Royal Swan. 17 ran. Hd, ¾l, 3l, 12 sh-hd. R Akehurst at Epsom. Tote: £4.70; £1.60, £2.10, £5.00, £4.00. DF: £24.20. CSF: £43.06. Tricast: £347.37.

4.15 (6f) 1, POWDER KEG (M Hills, 2-1); 2, Belle Tower (W Ryan 16-1); 3, Charisma Music (C Rutter 33-1). ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Beowulf, 15-2 Gagoush (4th), 16 Iscariot, Maravilla (5th), 20 Straw Reef, 25 Penthouse Suite, 33 Petit Valero, Willemark, Daisy Loch, Petite Mirage, Mr Bubbly, Clairegate, June Maid (6th). 16 ran. NR: Captain's Bird, Sylgora, Just Why, Party Cloak. 3l, ¾l, hd, sh-hd, nk. J Hindley at Newmarket. TOTE: £2.60; £1.70, £2.70, £16.90. DF: £135.00 CSF: £33.14.

4.45 (1m 2f) 1, ALAASIF (A Murray 7-1); 2, Touch The Wind (A Clark 14-1); 3, Why Tumble (W Ryan 7-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Colsterdale, 7 Bazook (4th), Tana Mist (6th), 8 Reef Fire, 10 Just Jonas, 14 Cadenza, Electrojet, Peggy Carolyn (4th=), 16 Mariner's Lad, Glenmore Captain, 20 Master Johnny, Miss Magnetism, 15 ran ¾l, sh-hd, sh-hd, dead heat, 1l. H Thomson Jones at Newmarket. TOTE: £9.80; £2.20, £7.20, £1.20. DF: £75.60. CSF: £104.91. TRICAST: £379.39.

● Brave George (Graham Bradley), who was almost withdrawn because of the firm ground, was fifth of six finishers in the Swedish Grand National (2m 5f chase) at Stromsholm on Saturday. Brave George has been sold and was on his way to be trained in Norway. Dolmen was awarded the race on the disqualification of Czempion.

● Jim Wilson, perhaps the best amateur rider never to win the title, has retired from riding over jumps and will start training next season. Wilson is looking for a stable, but expects to start from his present establishment in Cheltenham, well known for it equine swimming pool.

Course specialists

LINGFIELD PARK

TRAINERS: G Harwood 39 winners from 144 runners: 21.1%; P Walwyn 15 from 84: 17.9%; M J Ryan 9 from 52: 17.3%.

JOCKEYS: G Starkey 36 winners from 171 rides: 21.1%; Pat Eddery 25 from 120: 20.8; P Robinson 13 from 76: 17.1%.

BEVERLEY

TRAINERS: M Stoute 17 winners from 51 runners: 33.3%; E Weymes 12 from 58: 20.7%; M Camacho 10 from 72: 13.9%.

JOCKEYS: J Bleasdale 13 winners from 74: 17.6%; G Duffield 25 from 220: 11.4%; M Birch 32 from 292: 11.0%.

SALISBURY

TRAINERS: G Harwood 40 winners from 149 runners: 26.8%; M Smyly 11 from 59: 18.6%; H Thomson Jones 9 from 52: 17.3%.

JOCKEYS: W Carson 33 winners from 145 rides: 22.8%; G Starkey 41 from 183: 22.4%; P Eddery 22 from 169: 13.0%.

Blinkered first time

BEVERLEY none. LINGFIELD: 7.30 Arctic Breeze. SALISBURY: 2.00 Kinz. 2.30 Brown Bear Boy. 3.30 Super Regal.

● The Epsom clerk of the course, Mark Kershaw stated yesterday that there are no plans at the moment to water the course before tomorrow's Derby. The ground is forecast as good to firm. "Thunderstorms are forecast for this area in the next twelve hours, but if the forecast proves incorrect then the last six furlongs may have to watered. I shall make a decision in the afternoon", he said.

BEVERLEY

GOING: Firm

Draw: 5f to 1m high numbers best.

2.15 GREEN DRAGON SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £921: 5f) (7 runners)

7 00 WILLOWS LAD K Stone 8-11 .... C Dwyer 6
8 0003 BLUE CEDAR T Fairhurst 8-8 .... C Coates 5 7
11 DANCE IN SPAIN Hbt Jones 8-8 .... J Bleasdale 3
12 0 DANCING OWL P Rohan 8-8 .... T Ives 1
13 0 DERRYTOP M H Easterby 8-8 .... M Birch 2
18 00 MISS BEBWICK C Gray 8-8 .... N Connorton 5
20 RED ROSCO K Stone 8-8 .... G Brown 5 4

1984: Maundy Gift 8-11 W Wharton (12-1) W Wharton 17 ran

7-4 Derrytop, 5-2 Blue Cedar, 5 Dancing Owl, 15-2 Red Rosco, 10 Willows Lad, 14 Miss Bebwick, 16 Dance in Spain.

Beverley selections

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2.15 Derytot 2,45 Bold Way; 3.15 Strathconon; 3.45 Absolute Service; 4.15 DORSET COTTAGE (nap); 4.45 Rest; 5.10 Alegreman.

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3.15 Admirable; 4.15 Dorset Cottage; 4.45 Rest; 5.10 Redreed.

By Michael Seely

2.45 BOLD WAY (nap); 4.15 Dorset Cottage.

2.45 BEVERLEY ARMS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,392: 7f) (12)

2 40-0 MILLER'S CREEK G Hunter 9-7 .... R Hills 7
3 3421 GLEN GLORY D W Chapman 9-5 (6 ex) .... D Nicholls 8
4 0400 QUALITAIR LADY K Stone 9-4 .... G Brown 5 3
5 0-002 VIA VITAE R Hollinshead 9-3 .... W Ryan 2
7 0040 LOCHFAST C Tinkler 9-2 .... K Hodgson 4
8 1034 JUST A BIT (B) M W Easterby 9-2 .... M Hindley 5 10
10 10-00 STAR MAESTRO J Hardy 8-13 .... G Duffield 5
13 0-000 ABSANNE J Etherington 8-12 .... M Wood 9
14 3-000 SCOTCH ROCKET J Rowlands 8-10 .... M Beecroft 1
16 200-2 BOLD WAY W Bentley 8-7 .... T Ives 11
17 40-04 THE GOLF SLIDE B McMahon 8-4 .... A Mackay 12
18 00-00 GOLDEN DISC M Camacho 8-0 .... N Connorton 6

1984: Sharp Remark 9-7 W R Swinburn (4-1) B Hanbury 13 ran

11-4 Glen Glory, 7-2 Via Vitae, 9-2 Bold Way, 6 The Golf Slide, 8 Just A Bit, Miller's Creek, 12 Qualitair Lady, 14 others.

3.15 ROSE & CROWN HANDICAP (£1,780: 1m 4f) (10)

1 0000 FOCHE (B) R Stubbs 4-10-0 .... D Nicholls 3
3 0301 BAMDORO J Mulhall 6-9-3 (6 ex) .... G Gosney 10
5 0-000 GAMON M Leach 5-8-12 .... S Keightley 1
6 4-000 STRATHCONON Miss S Hall 4-8-12 .... K Hodgson 6
7 4-463 VICKSTOWN B C Morgan 3-8-6 .... R Adams 7 4
10 2024 TINOCO R Hollinshead 5-8-5 .... W Ryan 9
13 0-303 ADMIRABLE C Brittain 4-8-0 .... A Mackay 7
15 200/0 CLEWISTON K Morgan 9-7-10 .... C Rutter 5 5
16 3400- WALDRON HILL R Whitaker 5-7-8 .... N Carlisle 8
17 0-000 MISS MORLEY J Rowlands 3-7-7 .... J Lowe 2

1984: Meikleour 5-8-5 W R Swinburn (5-2 fav) J FitzGerald 11 ran

9-4 Bamdoro, 4 Vickstown, 5 Tinoco, 6 Admirable, 8 Foche, 12 Gamon, 14 Clewiston, 16 others.

3.45 BEAVER STAKES (2-y-o: £1,347: 5f) (9)

2 001 PRINCESS PAMELA (D) P Felgate 9-1 .... G Duffield 9
4 GALWAY LAD C Tinkler 8-11 .... M Birch 6
9 1 O'KELLY (D) C Booth 8-11 .... R Hills 5
10 0 STAY ON SONG K Stone 8-11 .... C Dwyer 2
11 42 TAXI MAN Hbt Jones 8-11 .... J Bleasdale 4
13 342 ABSALOUT SERVICE R Stubbs 8-8 .... D Nicholls 1
14 0 BEKKERS CONTROLS G Oldroyd 8-8 .... S Keightley 8
15 0 FOOLISH TIMES A Smith 8-8 .... S Webster 7
16 GEMMA LOUISE T Kersey 8-8 .... A Proud 3

1984: Stamping Ground 9-4 T Ives (7-4 fav) W O'Gorman 8 ran

13-8 Absolute Service, 7-2 Taxi Man, Princess Pamela, 8 Stay On Song, 8 O'Kelly, 12 Galway Lad, 14 others.

4.15 KINGS HEAD MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: £925: 1m) (12)

4 CHELTENHAM FUN H Collingridge 5-9-9 .... M Rimmer 3
6 00-00 JOHNNY FRENCHMAN A Watson 4-9-9 .... K Darley 1
7 00 NICANIC N Callaghan 4-9-9 .... T Ives 4
10 0- CHANCES PITCH K White 4-9-6 .... R Hills 5
11 00-00 ERROL EMERALD S Norton 4-9-6 .... J Lowe 11
12 400-0 GOOD FRIENDSHIP A Scott 4-9-6 .... S Keightley 10
21 00- CAVALIERAVANTGARDE P Wigham 3-8-5 .... D Nicholls 6
24 02 DORSET COTTAGE W Jarvis 3-8-5 .... N Day 9
25 -0000 EASTERN MARINER D Laing 3-8-5 .... M Birch 7
31 000-0 MR STEADFAST J Leigh 3-8-5 .... M Connorton 6
32 02-00 PARIS MATCH M Stoute 3-8-5 .... K Bradshaw 5 12
35 0 THAT'S THUNDER J Etherington 3-8-5 .... M Wood 8

1984: (Div I) Fenchurch Colony 3-8-5 M Birch (15-8 fav M H Easterby 12 ran

(Div II) Balaash 3-8-5 M Hills (4-1) J Hindley 11 ran

5-4 Dorset Cottage, 9-4 Paris Match, 9-2 Nicanic, 6 Errol Emerald, 8 Thatch's Thunder, 10 others.

4.45 ROYAL STANDARD MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-y-o: £1,416: 1m 2f) (18)

6 6- BENZINA G Harwood 8-11 .... A Clark 12
8 0 CHANTRO STAR G Harman 8-11 .... G P Kelly 10
13 ETERNAL GUEST A Stewart 8-11 .... M Banner 18
14 0 FENCALINA A Scott 8-11 .... J Lowe 1
15 000-0 FORGIVING D Laing 8-11 .... M Birch 17
16 024- FOUR STAR THRUST R Whitaker 8-11 .... J H Brown 5 11
17 0-300 GLAS Y DORLAN J R Winter 8-11 .... A Mackay 2
18 300-0 GRAND OCCASION G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11 .... G Duffield 8
20 0 KUSHKA G Wragg 8-11 .... R Hills 4
22 0000- MADAME CONCORDE B Richmond 8-11 .... S Keightley 7
26 00-02 REST B Hobbs 8-11 .... A Barclay 9
27 0 RIBBIBI M Camacho 8-11 .... N Connorton 5
29 SHASHNA M Stoute 8-11 .... K Bradshaw 5 3
31 0-0 SUBTLETY I Balding 8-11 .... T Ives 15
32 00-00 SWEET SALORA E Weymes 8-11 .... E Guest 5 16
34 00- TROY MOON M Jarvis 8-11 .... B Raymond 14
35 USEFUL ADDITION Mrs N Macauley 8-11 .... C Rutter 5 6
38 00-00 YOUTHFUL MOMENTUM I Balding 8-11 .... S Payne 13

1984: (Div I) Arderelle 8-11 C Dwyer (14-1) W Elsey 12 ran

(Div II) Swiss Franc Sweety 8-6 M Hindley (33-1) M W Easterby 12 ran

11-4 Benzina, 7-2 Shashna, 9-2 Rest, 5 Kushka, 7 Subtlety, 12 Four Star Thrust, 14 Grand Occasion, 20 others.

5.10 KINGS HEAD MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: £925: 1m) (11)

1 00-30 ARGES R Hollinshead 4-9-9 .... S Perks 10
3 /00-0 BORDER SPOIL W WATTS 7-9-9 .... C Coates 5 7
8 0 VELOCITUS J Hardy 4-9-9 .... G Duffield 4
14 0-000 MARGUARITA TIME P Felgate 4-9-6 .... M Hindley 5 3
15 00 NASHVILLE MUSIC A Potts 6-9-6 .... S Webster 2
16 023-3 ALEGREMAN G Harwood 3-8-5 .... A Clark 1
19 0 BOULEVARDIER J Watts 3-8-5 .... T Ives 9
20 00-0 CASTANHEIRO Miss S Hall 3-8-5 .... K Hodgson 8
27 0000- ERNIES CHOICE B McMahon 3-8-5 .... A Mackay 6
34 44-00 REDREED M Jarvis 3-8-5 .... B Raymond 1
35 SAM CHIFNEY J Etherington 3-8-5 .... M Wood 5

11-8 Alegreman, 2 Redread, 9-2 Arges, 7 Boulevardier, 14 Ernies Choice, 20 others.

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6.0 E B F MANOR MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES (2-y-o: £2,554: 6f) (16 runners)

2 0 ARE YOU GUILTY M Ryan 8-11 .... P Robinson 9
3 BLUE GUITAR J Hindley 8-11 .... M Hills 6
4 2 CHALK STREAM (BF) I Balding 8-11 .... Pat Eddery 5
5 3 COOL GALES (BF) B Hobbs 8-11 .... G Baxter 15
6 00 FASTWAY FLYER B Stevens 8-11 .... P Bloomfield 16
7 0 HALO A Ingham 8-11 .... T Williams 3 7
8 0 KIRBY CANE P Felden 8-11 .... R Fox 4
9 0 LISAKATY M McCourt 8-11 .... S Whitworth 3 13
11 NO JAZZ C Benstead 8-11 .... B Rouse 14
13 REFORM PRINCESS M Ryan 8-11 .... A Bond 1
14 SIGRID'S SECRET A Jarvis 8-11 .... A Lequeux 12
16 SUNK ISLAND (B) M Blanshard 8-11 .... NON-RUNNER 8
17 SUNLEY SINNER P Walwyn 8-11 .... N Howe 11
18 THANK ME AGAIN M Albina 8-11 .... M L Thomas 10
20 002 TOROS QUEEN (BF) M Chapman 8-11 .... D Dinsley 3
22 WATER MUSICK M Stoute 8-11 .... –

1984: Ponsevecchio Due 8-11 G Baxter (8-1) B Hobbs 10 ran.

Evens Chalk Stream, 3 Water Musick, 9-2 Cool Gales, 8 Sunley Sinner, 12 Toros Queen, 14 others.

Lingfield Selections

6.0 Chalk Stream; 6.30 Al Amead; 7.0 Derby Day; 7.30 Diamond Sky; 8.0 Mennea; 8.30 Mango Express.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.00 Water Musick; 6.30 New Express; 7.00 El Gitano; 8.00 Heart of Stone; High Skies.

Michael Seely's selection 6.30 Al Amead.

6.30 SUMMER HANDICAP (£1,788: 6f) (9)

2 0020- NEW EXPRESS G Huffer 8-10-0 .... W R Swinburn 3
3 -3011 AL AMEAD (CD) C Benstead 5-9-12 (8 ex) .... B Rouse 2
7 0-000 CHICAGO BID (D) (B) R Armstrong 4-9-4 .... S Cauthen 5
9 -0000 DARING DISPLAY R Smyth 4-9-3 .... S Whitworth 3 1
10 0040 BOLD REALM (D) (BF) (B) A Jarvis 4-8-13 .... Pat Eddery 4
12 00-20 WILL GEORGE (D) C Horgan 6-8-12 .... R Fox 6
15 40-00 DONNEY (D) A Davison 5-7-12 .... M L Thomas 8
18 0-000 FIGHTING JIMMY D A Wilson 4-7-7 .... T Williams 3 9
21 -0002 SITEX (D) M Bolton 7-7-7 .... R Still 7

1984: Alpine Strings 3-8-11 W Carson (9-2) R Armstrong 12 ran.

6-4 Al Amead, 7-2 Bold Realm, 5 Chicago Bid, 8 New Express, 12 Hill George, 14 Fighting Jimmy, 16 Sitex, 20 others.

7.0 HALL HANDICAP (£1,959: 1m 2f) (15)

1 0-120 NO-U-TURN (CD) S Mellor 7-10-4 .... M Wigham 13
4 21-00 SUNAPA'S OWLET (D) A Jarvis 4-9-3 .... Pat Eddery 14
6 0-002 EL GITANO G Blum 5-9-1 .... – 9
8 22-12 RUNNING FLUSH (C) (BF) D Oughton 3-8-13 .... P Cook 5
10 0-400 PROFIT WARRANT (CD) (BF) Pat Mitchell 5-8-7 .... P Bradwell 4
13 -3334 KING OF SPEED (CD) B Wise 8-8-5 .... B Rouse 15
14 00-01 DERBY DAY (D) (BF) (B) D A Wilson 4-8-5 (5 ex) .... T Williams 3 10
15 004-0 SPARKLER SPIRIT A Pitt 4-8-3 .... R McGhin 2
16 -0000 LADY LIZA B Stevens 4-8-3 .... P Bloomfield 1
17 0-002 MEZIARA (BF) (B) A Ingham 4-8-3 .... S Whitworth 3 3
19 41-00 QUALITY CHORISTER R Champion 4-8-1 .... G Baxter 6
20 104-0 NELSON'S LADY C Horgan 4-8-1 .... R Fox 12
21 -0000 MARRONESSE R Voorspuy 4-7-13 .... D Brown 7 11
24 -0000 HALLAND PARK BOY R Hannon 3-7-8 .... M L Thomas 7
25 20/00 TOURNAMENT LEADER D Marks 5-7-8 .... E Johnson 5

1984: Music City 8-8-9 T Quinn (5-1) J Bradley 14 ran.

4 Derby Day, 5 Meziara, 6 Sunapa's Owlet, 7 El Gitano, 8 Running Flush, No-U-Turn, 12 Marronesse, Profit Warrant, 14 King Of Speed.

7.30 GRANGE SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £820: 5f) (6)

3 3 ARCTIC BREEZE (BF) (B) R Simpson 8-11 .... J Reid 2
4 CHINA TEA Pat Mitchell 8-11 .... R Fox 5
5 023 DEL BOY D Jermy 8-11 .... P Cook 6
6 40002 DIAMOND SKY (BF) C Wildman 8-11 .... S Cauthen 4
7 0 GREEN DRAGON Pat Mitchell 8-11 .... R McGhin 1
8 00 HANG LOOSE R Hoad 8-11 .... B Rouse 3

1984: The Copocabana Kid 8-11 W Carson (4-5 fav) J Sutcliffe 7 ran.

7-4 Diamond Sky, 5-2 Arctic Breeze, 9-2 Del Boy, 6 China Tea, 10 Green Dragon, 12 Hang Loose.

8.0 EVENING HANDICAP (£2,150: 7f) (20)

3 0-000 SUPER TRIP G Hunter 4-9-10 .... R Fox 4
4 0-202 FUN GALORE (C) (BF) R Akehurst 4-9-9 .... J Reid 1
5 -0033 MENNEA A Jarvis 6-9-8 .... T Jarvis 5 2
6 0-000 BLOWING BUBBLES (CD) P Mitchell 5-9-7 .... P Sims 7 20
10 -2002 TOM FORRESTER A Pitt 4-8-13 .... B Rouse 18
11 /0434- DARK AMBER G Balding 4-8-13 .... J Williams 5
15 0200 ABSOLUTE BOUNDER R Hannon 3-8-9 .... Pat Eddery 16
17 /30-40 STABLE RELATIONS D Laing 3-8-8 .... M Malham 17
21 01-00 FORMIDO (D) C Benstead 4-8-4 .... R Cochrane 12
22 000-0 EASY STAR (D) M Chapman 5-8-4 .... D Dinsley 19
23 0-020 TRUMPS (C D) R Smyth 5-8-3 .... S Whitworth 3 8
24 1-000 CAPTIVA B Stevens 4-8-2 .... P Bloomfield 16
25 0-000 HEART OF STONE R Armstrong 3-8-1 .... G Baxter 15
26 00-00 SHIPWAYS M McCourt 3-8-1 .... R Wernham 10
28 2143 MR ROSE (D) L Lightbrown 5-8-1 (8 ex) .... D Fowler-Wright 7 7
29 0000- LACEWOOD A Ingham 4-8-0 .... T Williams 3 9
33 0000- LADY CLEMENTINE D Morley 5-7-12 .... W Woods 5 14
34 0-000 WHEN I DREAM (B) G Balding 4-7-12 .... L Johnsey 7 3
36 0-00 IDEOLIGIA A Hide 3-7-9 .... E Johnson 11
39 0040 WITH A LOT (B) M Chapman 4-7-7 .... D Brown 7 6

1984: Al Amead 4-8-10 B Rouse (7-2 fav) C Benstead 16 ran.

7-2 Fun Galore, 9-2 Tom Forrester, 6 Mennea, 8 Super Trip, Trumps, 10 Blowing Bubbles, Absolute Bounder, 12 others.

8.30 JUNE STAKES (3-y-o: £1,668: 1m 4f) (5)

1 2214- CHIEFDOM G Harwood 9-4 .... Starkey 2
2 32-1 MANGO EXPRESS C Horgan 9-4 .... P Cook 3
3 21 HIGH SKIES O Douieb 9-1 .... Doubtful 1
8 3-103 MISS NEVER HYDE (C) P Kelleway 8-12 .... J Reid 4
9 00-43 FIRST TEMPTATION J Jenkins 8-8 .... J Williams 5

1984: No corresponding race.

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8-11 Mango Express, 3 Chiefdom, 11-2 Miss Never Hyde, 10 First Temptation.

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HILL – on 2nd June 1985 in Bristol to Susan (nee Franklin) and Michael – a son, a brother for James.

KENNEDY. On May 30th to Christine and David – a son (Thomas James) at The Park Lane Clinic, Johannesburg.

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RUSSELL. – On 31st May in Toronto, Canada, to Deborah (née Suddaby) and Michael. God's gift of a son (James Thomas).

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THOMPSON. – On June 2nd in the Hague to Sara (née Rendell) and Peter – a daughter (Sophie Mary).

WATKINS – On May 31st 1985, at Westminster Hospital, to Brian and Elizabeth (née Arfon-Jones) a daughter (Caroline Ann Arfon).

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MARRIAGES

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DEATHS

ADAM – Major Thomas, aged 71, on 31st May 1985, after a short illness, at Endon Hall, near Pershore, Worcestershire. Family Funeral. No flowers please. Donations to The Salvation Army. Memorial Service in Scotland later.

AITKEN. – On June 1st 1985, Bishop William Aubrey Aitken, dearly loved husband of Meg, devoted father of Nick, John and Kate, Jo and Andrew, Jillie and John and Mark and Kim, adored grandfather of Tom, Katherine, Lucy, Lucy, Biddy, Vicky, Jacob and Chris. Funeral 12.30 pm Norwich Cathedral, Friday June 7th (no memorial service). Clergy may robe. Family flowers only. Donations to the Friends of Norwich School, The Close, Norwich NR1 4DD.

ALLAN. – On Wednesday 29th May, suddenly Eileen Marjorie Allan. Requiem Mass at 10.30am, Wednesday 5th June at Farm Street Church, London W1.

BAIRD – On 1st June in Jersey, Jean (née Tennant) in her 89th year. Dearest wife of the late Lockhart (Dick). Dearly loved mother of Yona, Lockhart, James and Douglas. A loving grandmother and great grandmother, who will be greatly missed.

BAKER.–On May 29th, suddenly and peacefully, Alfred Patrick Edmeades, beloved husband of Daphne and loving and loved father of Henrietta, Lucilla and Candida. Family flowers. Donations to friends of Kent churches, c/o his home, Cobhambury House, Cobham, Gravesend, Kent. Funeral at Cobham Church. Thursday, June 6th at 2.30 p.m.

BROOKE.–On June 1, peacefully, Audrey born Currey, widow of Canon J. C. H. Brooke, one time Dean of Cape Town. She will be remembered with love by her daughters Molly McGregor and Phillida Simons, her son-in-law Richard Simons, her grandchildren and her great grandchildren. Requiem Mass will be held at 3 p.m. on June 5 at St Pauls, Rondebosch, Cape Town.

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CRAIG McFEELY. – On Saturday June 1st, tragically in Nairobi, both Caris and Kevin Craig-McFeely. Greatly mourned by Frans and Anna Maria van Randwyck, Jan & Ivy Wollerbeck and all family and friends.

CULLEN – On May 30th 1985, peacefully in hospital, Eileen Dulcie Rosa, aged 87 years, of Great Abington, Cambridge, widow of William John and mother of Michael and June. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Great Abington, on Thursday 6th June at 11.30am, followed by Cremation at Cambridge City Crematorium, at 12.30pm. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired may be sent for Great Abington Church Restoration Fund, to H. J. Pamlin Ltd, Funeral Directors, 43 High Street, Linton, Cambridge.

ELLIOTT. – On May 31st 1985, peacefully at home after a long and courageous battle, Ann Patricia (née Gee), aged 45, adored friend and wife of Lt. Col. Bryan Elliott, Light Infantry, and much loved mum to Simon and Katy and daughter of Joan Gee. Requiem Mass at the Memorial Chapel R.M.A., Sandhurst on Wednesday June 5th at 2pm, followed by a private Burial at Tidworth. Cut flowers only please to Camberley & District Funeral Service Ltd., Yorktown Road, College Town, Camberley. Tel: 33241.

HARKER, JOAN MARY.–On 1st June, peacefully, in hospital, aged 74, the wonderful wife of Ronald for 52 years and mother of Gillian, Carolyn, Quentin and Jeremy. A very lovely lady.

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LILL. – Peacefully at home, after a long illness borne with great courage, on 3rd June, Muriel, of 9 Arlington Court, Kenton Avenue, Newcastle upon Tyne. Much loved wife of Hunter, dear mother of Sandy and Johnathon, loving grandmother of Ben. Service at All Saints Church, West Avenue, Gosforth, on Thursday 6th June at 11.15am. Followed by private cremation. Flowers to J. Bardgett & Sons, Westgate Road, Newcastle, or donations to St. Oswalds Hospice Appeal, Mea House, Ellison Place, Newcastle.

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SIMEONE. – On June 1st 1985, peacefully in hospital after a courageous fight, Nicola Francesco (Nic), of Fay Road, Horsham. Much loved father and father-in-law of Reginald and Josephine, and grandfather of Nigel and Robert. Cremation at Surrey, nr Crawley, on Friday, June 7th, at 1.45pm. Family flowers only, but, if desired, donations in his memory to: Mount Alvernia Hospital, Guildford GU1 3LX.

TWAMLEY – Phyllis (neé Wray-Bliss) on June 1st, 1985 at home, devoted Mother of Delia and wife of the late Dr Broughton Twamley. Cremation private.

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WEIL. – On 30th May 1985, suddenly at her home, Eileen. Sadly missed by Molly Salmon and her family. Funeral private.

WILLIAMS – Charlotte Moyra on Saturday, June 1st, at Monks Lindsey, Suffolk, after a long illness. Beloved wife of Arthur Vivian Williams and mother of Mary, Philip, Timothy and Andrew. Funeral service at Lindsey Church, 2pm on Friday, June 7th, followed by Cremation at Ipswich Crematorium at 3.15pm.

WOOLF, Rebecca. – On June 1st, 1985, at home, widow of Abraham Woolf. Much loved an sadly missed by her daughters Joyce and Sheila, sons in law Cyril and Alan, grandchildren, Gillian, Stephen, Andrew and Emily and family.

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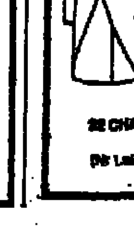
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Today's television and radio programmes

Summaries by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports bulletins.

6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Nick Ross. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20, 7.45 and 8.20; a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Alan Titchmarsh's 'phone-in gardening surgery; a recipe from Glynn Christian; and Beverly Alt with the latest fashion trends.

9.20 Ceefax; 10.30 Play School, presented by Carol Leader. The guest is Fred Harris. 10.50 Ceefax.

1.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather details come from Bill Giles. 1.27 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.30 Pigeon Street. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

1.45 Vegetarian Kitchen. The final programme of Sarah Brown's series describes how to entertain in the grand manner, vegetarian style. A main course suggested being buckwheat pancakes filled with ratatouille. There is also a visit to a summer lunch party given by gourmet, Colin Spencer (r).

2.10 Coming of Age. Professor Elaine Murphy explains how best to cope with someone suffering from senile dementia (r). 2.40 Praise Be! Thora Hird with another selection of favourite hymns (r) (Ceefax). 3.15 Ceefax. 3.53 Regional news (not London).

3.55 Caterpillar Trail. Stuart Bradley is at a RSPCA Wildlife unit. 4.10 Dastardly and Muttley (r). 4.20 Heathcliff and Marmaduke. Cartoon adventures of an alley cat and a great dane puppy. 4.35 Lift Off with Gary Wilmot, Craig Charles and Anneka Rice.

5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Wildtrack includes Mike Jordan spying on otters in the Shetland Islands.

5.35 Dr Kildare. Part five of a six-episode medical drama (r).

6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.

6.35 London Plus.

7.00 EastEnders. Arthur is feeling more depressed about the family's health and money matters, while Ian prepares a treat for Lou, Michelle and poor old Arthur (Ceefax).

7.30 The Time of Your Life. Noel Edmonds goes back to August 1973 with his guest, Adam Faith. Music is provided by Mungo Jerry.

8.10 The Bob Monkhouse Show. The guests are Little and Large, Pam Ayres, Cosmotheka and comedy juggler, Michael Davis (r).

9.00 News with John Humphrys. Weather.

9.25 Miami Vice. The second and final part of the story in which detectives Crockett and Tubbs help a colleague whose wife has been kidnapped by an opium dealer who demands a shipment of drugs as ransom.

10.15 Italians. The life of Claudio Casadei who earns his living by hiring umbrellas and sunbeds to the holidaymakers on Beach 72 in Rimini (r) (see Choice).

10.45 Film 85 presented by Barry Norman. Greta Scacchi talks about her latest film, The Coca Cola Kid; and there is a review of the thriller set in Miami, The Mean Season.

11.15 Taxi. Thanks to Louie's greed, Jeff finds himself in trouble with the law when the police are notified of a spare-parts business that flourishes from the garage of the Sunshine Cab Company of New York.

11.40 Weather.

TV-am

6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.39 and 7.37; exercises at 6.50 and 9.19; Popeye cartoon at 7.23; pop video at 7.54; Jeni Barnett's postbag at 8.15.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: The use of hands in conveying sympathy and hostility 9.47 Maths: counting and capacity 9.59 Recycling waste 10.17 Life that survives on rocks 10.37 The emotional impact of the arrival of a baby on young parents 11.02 Learning to read with Basil Brush 11.15 The cliffs battle the elements 11.22 The fascination of words 11.49 A holiday on a canal boat.

12.00 Cockleshell Bay. The twins prepare for the arrival of a baby brother or sister 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets (r) 12.30 The Sullivans.

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames News.

1.30 Play: The Balance of Nature, by Maggie Brooks. Leslie Ash and Philip Bretherton star in this drama about a young woman who works in a beauty salon and dreams of winning the Miss United Kingdom title. But meeting Spencer changes her goal (r).

2.30 My Marriage. Colin Morris talks to Debbie Holloway, who was married at 17, about her teenage marriage.

3.00 Definition. The first of a new series of the cryptic word game. 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 The Young Doctors.

4.00 Cockleshell Bay. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair 4.20 The Wind in the Willows. The last in the series and Toad Hall is graced with a visit from the famous poet, Auberon Mole (r) (Oracle).

4.45 The Wall Game. Children from Hillcross Middle School try to discover the programme's theme (Oracle).

5.15 Connections.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Reporting London, presented by Michael Barratt. Jackie Spreckley reports on the race between London, Birmingham and Manchester, to play host to the 1992 Olympic Games; and Graham Addicott investigates the threatened crack down on London's squatters.

7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Has Terence Turner something to hide?

7.30 Give Us a Clue. Celebrity mime game, presented by Michael Parkinson. Lionel Blair and Una Stubbs are joined by Nigel Davenport, Shirley Eaton, Peter Jeffrey, Maureen Lipman, Julia McKenzie and Barrie Winters.

8.00 The Streets of San Francisco. Detectives Stone and Keller investigate a half a million dollars robbery in which a guard was killed (r).

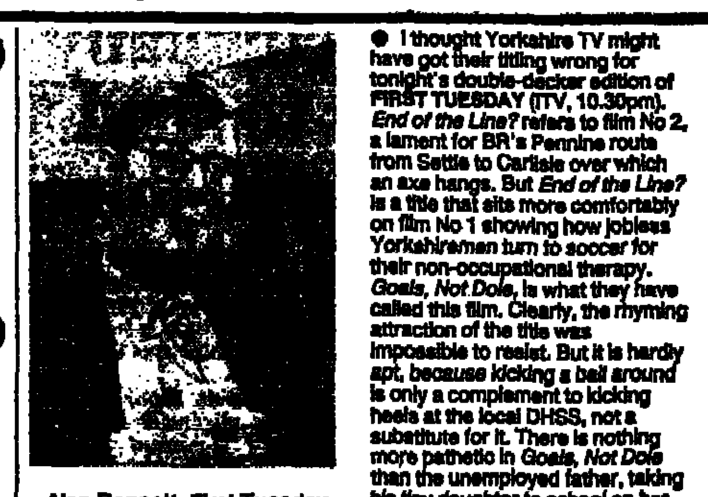
9.00 Mr Palfrey of Westminster. Special Intelligence investigator Palfrey is asked to find out if a visiting American aerospace engineer is about to pass secrets to the enemy (Oracle).

10.00 News at Ten and weather.

10.30 First Tuesday: Goals Not Dole is about a group of unemployed South Yorkshire men who formed a football team: The End of the Line is the story of the Settle to Carlisle railway line which is under threat of closure (see Choice).

11.30 The Master. Martial arts adventure.

12.25 Night Thoughts.



Alan Bennett: First Tuesday (ITV, 10.30pm)

CHOICE

● I thought Yorkshire TV might have got their titling wrong for tonight's double-decker edition of FIRST TUESDAY (ITV, 10.30pm). *End of the Line?* refers to film No 2, a lament for BR's Pennine route from Settle to Carlisle over which an axe hangs. But *End of the Line?* is a title that sits more comfortably on film No 1 showing how jobless Yorkshiremen turn to soccer for their non-occupational therapy. *Goals, Not Dole*, is what they have called this film. Clearly, the rhyming attraction of the title was impossible to resist. But it is hardly apt, because kicking a ball around is only a complement to kicking heels at the local DHSS, not a substitute for it. There is nothing more pathetic in *Goals, Not Dole* than the unemployed father, taking his tiny daughter to school on her first day, and counselling her to make the most of the experience as there won't be a lot left for her to do when schooldays end.

● Other TV highlights: A second chance to enjoy David Willey's illustrated essay CLAUDIO'S BEACH (BBC1, London area, 10.15pm) which, though concentrating on the hideously crowded summer sands of Rimini, speaks volumes for the essentially sunny nature of all Italians, on and off any beach, summer or winter. . . . And there is a potted version of Viscount Whitelaw's assessment of the first 30 years of independent television (Channel 4, 10.50pm) in his IBA Robert Fraser Lecture given earlier this evening in the Banqueting House, Whitehall.

● Radio choice: Ronald Hayman's feature about the German writer Günter Grass, THE BROKEN PROMISE (Radio 3, 7.00pm) finds a falling off in his literary talent since his early work that included such peaks as *The Tin Drum*. It does not conclusively put the blame on Grass's increasing involvement with the Social Democrats (the German variety), but that inference can be drawn from some of the testimony presented by a strong line-up of Grass-watchers. Malcolm Bradbury's is the solitary voice that speaks for Britain. Also recommended: the completion of Peter Clayton's repeated profile of Judy Garland in THE *MAGNIFICENT MINNELLIS* (Radio 2, 8.00pm). It covers the sad years, when the Garland gifts were cruelly diminished although, like the dying flame of a candle, there were brief and sudden surges of the old vitality.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.30 Open University: Geology of the Alps (1). 6.55 Force and Violence Ends at 7.20.

9.00 Ceefax.

9.10 *Daytime on Two: Italy – a land of custom.* 9.25 Ceefax. 9.48 A surveyor, a mechanical engineer, a sheet metal worker and a forester use CSE maths in their work. 10.10 The second and final episode of the play about two teenagers experiencing their first serious relationship 10.35 Economic growth in Japan.

11.00 How the Plains American Indians organised their life around the buffalo. 11.17 Becoming engrossed in books. 11.40 Are food labels guilty of misinformation? 12.02 Mindstretchers – problems. 12.07 Ceefax. 2.00 For the very young. 2.15 Salford women describe how their lives have changed in the past half century.

2.35 Ceefax.

5.30 *News summary with subtitles.* Weather.

5.35 Play Golf. Lesson seven of Peter Alliss's golf course deals with Difficult Lies and Conditions (r).

6.00 Laramie. Jess is riding shotgun on a stage when it is attacked and robbed. He trails the gang to Montana where he discovers that one of the men is a friend and that the law in the town they made for is not wholeheartedly on the side of justice (r).

6.50 Off the Record. Josephine Buchan visits the home of boxer Barry McGuigan and discovers what type of music he relaxes to when not in the ring.

7.00 Whistle Test, introduced by Mark Ellen and Andy Kershaw. *The guests are The Pogues* and Lone Justice; David Hepworth is in Llandudno where The Alarm play on the same bill as the Welsh language band, Maffia Mr Huws. *Sting is interviewed and* the archive slot features a 1978 performance by The Police.

8.00 Wildlife on Two. A Touch of the Butterflies examines life-cycles of the more exotic species. Narrated by David Attenborough (r) (Ceefax).

8.30 Behind the Lines. Part four of the seven-programme series following the fortunes of a group of soldiers who want to join the Royal Marines's elite Mountain and Arctic Warfare unit. This week the focus is on the art of camouflage and sniping and includes a lecture on death by a Falklands veteran.

9.00 Bodyline. Part two and the English cricket authorities begin to despair of ever defeating Australia while Bradman is in their side. But Jardine is cooly planning his tactics for the forthcoming tour of Australia.

10.30 Newsnight.

11.15 Weather. 11.20 Interval.

11.30 Open University: Physics: Magnetism. 1.55 Religion: The Greek Liturgy. Ends at 12.25.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 The Human Jungle* This week the eminent psychiatrist Dr Corder (Herbert Lom) is accused of assault by the mistress of one of Dr Corder's patients.

3.25 Film: I'll Never Heil Again* (1941) starring the Three Stooges. The comedy trio provide more mayhem for the *Germans in this adventure*

3.45 Years Ahead Magazine programme for the older viewer, presented by Robert Dougall. This week's edition includes the story of how three people each managed to get their work published; and a profile of a 70-year-old gliding instructor, Andrew Thorburn.

4.30 Telvision Scrabble.

5.00 Bewitched: Samantha is struggling to repair a lamp and doddery Aunt Clara uses her waning magical powers to summon up an electrician but Benjamin Franklin appears instead – and Aunt Clara doesn't know how to get rid of him.

5.30 Pets in Particular. James Allcock and Lesley Judd with advice on looking after budgies and gerbils.

6.00 The Avengers* Steed and Mrs Peel, on a murder investigation, encounter Quite Quite Fantastic Inc – an organization devoted to re-creating *people's fantasies.* Starring Patrick Macnee, Diana Rigg and Ron Moody.

7.00 Channel Four news.

7.50 Comment. With her views on a matter of topical importance is Ajeet Harbans Singh, a Sikh and a West London magistrate. Weather.

8.00 Brookside. Carol discovers who has been helping *themselves to the contents of* Annabelle's freezer and Terry visits Kate after finding Michelle in a compromising situation.

8.30 4 What It's Worth, presented *by Penny Junor. John* Stoneborough tracks down a coach company operator who had little regard for his customers; Bill Breckon discovers why more people *are having their houses* repossessed; and David Stafford has advice for hayfever sufferers.

9.00 Film: Damien: The Leper Priest (1980) starrng Ken Howard. A made-for-television drama, based on fact, about a 19th century Roman Catholic priest who worked with the lepers on an Hawaiian island until his death in 1889. Directed by Steven Gethers.

10.50 Independent Television: The First 30 Years. Highlights of Lord Whitelaw's IBA Robert Fraser Lecture.

11.15 Black on Black includes a report on Grenada; an interview with Pulitzer Prize winner Alice Walker who talks about being black in the United States today; and Isaiah Jackson who is conducting Covent Garden's June programme.

12.10 Closedown.

Radio 4

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming.

6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.20 Letters. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for Day. 8.35 Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Tuesday Call: 01-580-4411. Ask the experts, Gail Duff and Jim Marks about summer foods.

10.00 News; From Our Own Correspondent.

10.30 Morning Story: 'Personal Development' by Jenny Hursell. Reader: Judith Barker.

10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 13)†

11.00 News; Travel; Thirty-Minute Theatre: 'Squatters' Rights' – a comedy by Alan Melville. Cast includes Francis Matthews, Hannah Gordon and John Wheatley.

11.33 Wildlife. Magazine; includes a wildlife sound competition.

12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice, with Paul Heiney.

12.27 Brain of Britain 1985. General knowledge contest. First round: Wales†12.55 Weather.

1.00 The Archers 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Judi Swallow reports on a male escort agency that sells manners, not glamour.

3.00 The Afternoon Play: The Bishop's Wife, by Frederick Bradnum. The morals of the Bishop's young wife are in question. Two amateur "detectives" are appointed to investigate. With Jenny Funnell, Adam Godley and Elizabeth Bell.†

4.00 News: A new kind of Joy. Toni Arthur reports on the 1985 Special Olympics UK for mentally handicapped athletes.

4.40 Story Time. Women of Crime: 'Making Arrangements' by Elizabeth Bowen. The reader: Celia Bannerman.

5.00 PM: News magazine.

6.00 The Six O'Clock News.

6.30 Frank Muir Goes Into . . . (s) The World of Nature: Insects and Spiders. With Alfred Marks.†

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 File on 4. Major issues at home and abroad. With Stuart Simon.

8.00 Medicine Now. Geoff Watts reports on the health of medical care.

8.30 The One Left Behind. In the first of four conversations with widows and widowers, Jenni Mills talks to two young victims of bereavement about their difficulties.

9.00 In Touch. Magazine programme for people with a visual handicap.

9.30 A Sideways Look At . . . by Anthony Smith.

9.45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine. Includes comments on the film The Element of Crime, and Robert Holman's play The Overgrown Path, at the Royal Court.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: 'Weights and Measures' by Joseph Roth (last of seven parts). The reader: Tom Wilkinson. 10.29 Weather.

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News; Weather. 12.33am Shipping.

VHF (available in England and S. Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued) 11.00 Study on 4: Central American Journey. 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 Open Forum: Students' Magazine. 11.50 Science: The Story of DDT. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Morning Concert: Mozart's Symphony No 18 (Academy of Ancient Music/Hogwood); Schubert's String Quartet in D, D94 (Allegri); Vivaldi's Concerto in D for two violins, two cellos and orchestra, RV 564 (Academy of Ancient Music/Hogwood).†

8.00 News.

8.05 *Morning Concert (contd):* Donnizetti's Concertino in G (Holliger, cor anglais/Bamberg SO/Maag); Moszkowski's Suite for two violins and piano (Perlman/Zuckerman/Sanders); Respighi's Ancient airs and dances: Suite No 2 (Philharmonia Hungarica/ Dorati).† 9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composers: Schumann. Novelette in D Op 21 No 3 (Ciani, piano); in A, Op 21 No 6 (Ciani); Three Romances, Op 28 (Arrau, piano), and other works including Unter'm Fenster Op 34 No 3 (Lott/Rolfe Johnson/Graham Johnson).†

10.00 Rachmaninov: Amsterdam Concertgebouw under Ashkenazy play the Symphonic Dances Op 45.

10.35 BBC Singers (under Poole), with John Scott (organ). Britten's Jubilate Deo, 1934; Howells's Where Wast Thou?: Bernard Rose's Three Addison Anthems.†

11.05 Bach, Scriabin and Bartok: Christian Blackshaw (piano). Bach's Partita No 1 in B Flat, BWV 825; Scriabin's Sonata No 9 in F, Op 68: Bartok's Sonata.†

12.00 Hungarian Radio SO (under Jukka-Pekka Saraste). With Vilmos Szabadi (violin). Part one. Ivo Josipovic's The Garden of Epicurus; Bartok's Violin Concerto No 2.† 1.00 News.

1.05 Hungarian Radio SO (part two). Schumann's Symphony No 2.†

1.50 Guitar Encores: Evangelos and Lisa play Soler's Sonata, R 21; Fandango and Rodrigo's Tonadilla.†

2.20 Kleiber and Cantelli: the two conductors, with the NBC Symphony Orchestra, perform Corelli's Concerto Grosso in G Minor, Op 6 No 8; Mendelssohn's Scherzo and Wedding March (A Midsummer Night's Dream); and Mozart's Symphony No 33. Interval reading at 3.05.

3.10 Kleiber and Cantelli: performances, on record, of Tchaikovsky's fantasy overture Romeo and Juliet; and Mendelssohn's Symphony No 4 (Italian).†

4.00 Peter Katin (piano) plays Chopin works including Introduction and Variations in B flat Op 12 on theme from Hérold's Ludovic; two nocturnes, Op 55; Sonata in B Minor, Op 58.† 4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure; another selection of recorded music, presented by Jeremy Siepmann.†

6.30 The French Chanson: Hilliard Ensemble, with Stephen Stubbs (lute). Music by Janequin, Clemens non Papa, Henry Fresneau and Pierre Villiers.

7.00 The Broken Promise: Ronald Hayman explores the literary inspirations of the German writer and artist Günter Grass. The contributors, include Malcolm Bardbury, Professor Hans Mayer, and Volker Schlondorff.

7.45 The Cherry Orchard. First United Kingdom broadcast of Rudolf Kelterborn's opera. Sung in German. Ralf Weikart conducts the Zurich Opera and Tonhalle forces. Soloists in this Swiss Radio recording include Evelyn Lear and Ann Marie Robertson. Acts one and two. Acts three and four begin at 9.05. There is an interval reading at 9.00 approximately.

10.00 Wynton Marsalis in Concert: The Wynton Marsalis Quintet play (in part one), Marsalis's Knozz-moe-king; Kirkland's Fuschia; Billy Reid's I'll close my eyes; Leslie Bricusse's Who can I turn to ?; and Marsalis's Later.†

10.50 A Man who had Depths: Gerard Green reads the short story by Jerzy Szaniawski.

10.55 Wynton Marsalis (part two). Marsalis's Father Time, and The Bell Ringer, and Later: Drummond's What is happening here (now)?; and Thelonious Monk's Think of one.†

11.57 News. Until 12.00. VHF only: Open University. From 6.35 to 6.55am. The narrator in Middlemarch.

Radio 2

On medium wave. †also VHF stereo. News on the hour. Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. 4.0am Colin Berry†. 6.00 Ray Moore†. 10.30 Jimmy Young†. 1.05 Sports Desk: David Jacobs†. 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford†. 3.02 Sports Desk. 4.05 David Hamilton†. 6.00 John Dunn (including 6.45 Sport and Classified results (MF) only. 7.30 Cricket Scoreboard. 8.00 The Magnificent Minnellis. Dennis Norden focuses on Judy Garland. 9.00 BBC Radio Orchestra, presented by Bill Rennells†. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Dealing with Daniels with magician Paul Daniels. 10.30 Town and Country Quiz: Monmouth, Wessex and Wales (Townswomen's Guilds v Powys and Brecknock Women's Institute) 11.00 Bernard Falk presents Round Midnight (*stereo from midnight*). 1.00 Bill Rennells present Nightride†. 3.0-4.0 Night Owls.†

Radio 1

On medium wave. †also VHF stereo. *News on the half hour from 6.30am until* 9.30pm and at 12 midnight. 6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies incl 12.00 Newsbeat. 2.30 Mark Page. 5.00 Bruno Brookes incl 5.30Newsbeat. 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 The Colts: First Europeans. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Hardcastle. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 *Review of the British Press.* 9.15 *Good Books.* 9.25 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Peebles' Choice. 10.00 News Summary. 10.01 Science in Action. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Jewels for a Princess: The Sonatas of Scarlatti. 11.30 Album Time. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 A Word in Edgeways. 12.45 Sports Round-up. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 Recording of the Week. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 Shakespeare and Music. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 A Jolly Good Show. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Omnibus. 7.45 That's Trad. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 A Word in Edgeways. 9.00 News Summary. 9.01 Derby Preview. 9.10 Book Choice. 9.15 Concert Hall. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 A Letter From Scotland. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 The Age Of Elegance. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 World News. 12.09 *News About Britain.* 12.15 *Radio Newsreel.* 12.30 Omnibus. 1.00 News. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Report on Religion. 1.45 Country Style. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 The Age of Elegance 2.30 Second Holmes. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.

(All times in GMT)

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN
† Stereo. ★ Black and white. (r) Repeat

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1 WALES 1.27-1.30 News of Wales Headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales Headlines. 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Dr Kildare. 10.15-10.45 The Chieftains. 11.40-11.45 News and weather. SCOTLAND 1.27pm-1.30 The Scottish news. 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland. 10.15-10.45 Three's Company. 11.15-11.50 The Rock Gospel Show. 11.50-11.55 News and weather. NORTHERN IRELAND 1.27-1.30 Northern Ireland news. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland news. 5.35-5.40 Today's Sport. 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 Dr Kildare. 10.15-10.45 The Entertainers. 11.15-11.45 The Chieftains. 11.45-11.50 News and weather. ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines. 10.15-10.45 East – Spectrum. Midlands – This is . . . Swans way. North – In Conversation. North-East – The Gallery. North-West – Profile. South – The Journey. South-West – One Man's Meat . . . West – Case Study: Alternative Medicine.

YORKSHIRE As London except: starts: 9.25-9.30 Weather. 12.30-1.00 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.00-1.20 Calendar Headlines. 3.30-4.00 A Country Practice. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 Crossroads. 7.30-8.00 Magnum. 11.30 All Kinds of Country. 12.00 Close.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30-1.00 Gardening Time. 1.20-1.30 Central News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Central News. 8.00-9.00 Falcon Crest. 11.30 Legmen. 12.30 Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 12.30-1.00 Candid Camera. 1.20-1.30 Channel news. 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters. 5.15 Wattoo Wattoo. 5.20-5.45 Just Our Luck. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Whose Baby? 8.00-9.00 Magnum. 11.30 The Black Butter Jazz Band. 11.35 The Irish R.M. 12.35am News and weather.

S4C 1.00 Television Scrabble. 1.30 Alice. 2.00 Ffalabalam. 2.15 Interval. 2.35 Dasaryddiaeth. 2.55 Along the Old Man River. 3.55 Jack London's Tales of The Klondike. 4.50 Ffalabalam. 5.05 Blidowcar. 5.35 The Human Jungle. 6.30 Anturiaethau Syr Wynff A Plwmsan. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Chwechawd Rhyngwladol Cymru. 8.00 The Heritage Game. 8.30 Here And Now On 4, News Headlines. 9.00 Chwedlau Serch. 9.30 Y Fantol. 10.00 St Elsewhere. 10.55 Film: The Rocky Horror Picture Show (1975). 12.45 Close.

SCOTTISH As London except: 12.30-1.00 Gardening Time. 1.20-1.30 Scottish News. 3.30-4.00 Sons And Daughters. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 News and Scotland Today. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Take The High Road. 8.00-9.00 Falcon Crest. 11.30 Living and Growing for Adults. 12.00 Late Call. 12.05am Close.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm1.00 Gardens for all. 1.20 Anglia News and weather. 3.25-3.30 Anglia News. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Diff'rent Strokes. 8.00-9.00 Magnum. 11.30 Session. 12.30 Reflection, close.

TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Candid Camera. 1.20-1.30 TSW News headlines. 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthday. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.25 Televiews. 6.30-7.00 Whose Baby? 8.00-9.00 Magnum. 11.30 Postscript. 11.35 The Irish RM. 12.35am Weather, close.

GRAMPIAN As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 First Thing. 12.30-1.00 Breakthrough. 1.20-1.30 North News. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 North Tonight and Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Shammy Dab. 8.00-9.00 Hotel. 11.30 Living and Growing for Adults. 12.00 North Headlines and Weather. 12.05am Close.

TYNE TEES As London except: starts: 9.25-9.30 North East News. 1.20-1.30 North East News and Lookaround. 3.00 Nothing But The Best. 3.25-3.30 North East News. 5.15-5.45 Connections. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 8.00-9.00 Falcon Crest. 11.30 A Place of Pilgrimage. 11.5 Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: starts: 9.25-9.30 The Day Ahead. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.30 The Nature of Things. 3.58-4.00 Ulster News. 6.00 Summer Edition. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 8.00-9.00 Hart To Hart. 11.30 The Sweeney. 12.25 News.

GRANADA As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Granada Reports News. 3.00 The Glass Box. 3.30-4.00 Gambit. 6.00 This is your right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 8.00-9.00 Falcon Crest. 11.30 Sheena Easton – Live. 12.40am Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Border News. 3.30-4.00 The Protectors. 6.00 Lookaround Tuesday. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 8.00-9.00 Hart to Hart. 11.30 Portrait of a Legend (Lionel Ritchie). 12.00 News. 12.30am Close.

HTV WEST As London except: starts. 9.25-9.30 HTV News. 1.20-1.30 HTV News. 3.00-3.30 Now You See It. 6.00 HTV News. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 8.00-9.00 The Yellow Rose. 11.30 The Last Outlaw. 12.30am Weather, Close.

HTV WALES As HTV WEST except: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

TVS As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 TVS Outlook. 1.20 TVS News. 1.30-2.30 A Country Practice. 5.12-5.45 TVS News headlines, Sons and Daughters. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.25 Police 5. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 8.00-9.00 Quincy. 11.30 The Champions. 12.30am Company, Close.

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Scotland lands £45m jet order

By Ronald Faux

British Aerospace at Prestwick yesterday announced a $60 million (approximately £45 million) order for its Jetstream 31 commuter aircraft.

The Republic Express Airlines in the United States placed the order for 20 of the 18-seater commuter aircraft which they are to operate from Memphis to 20 satellite airfields.

It is the largest single order for Jetstream yet received and 50 of the aircraft are being used by 13 invidual operators, mostly in the United States.

the company said that the Jetstream had earned its reputation for passenger comfort, economic performance and standing headroom. One other American airline, Eastern Metro Express, operates 12 of the planes.

The latest order gives the 1,800 workers at Prestwick almost two years' work and is good news after the company's recent failure to win the contract for supplying the new RAF advanced trainer. Its Anglo-Swiss Pilatus PC 9 failed in favour of the Brazilian Tucano aircraft to be built by Short's in Belfast.

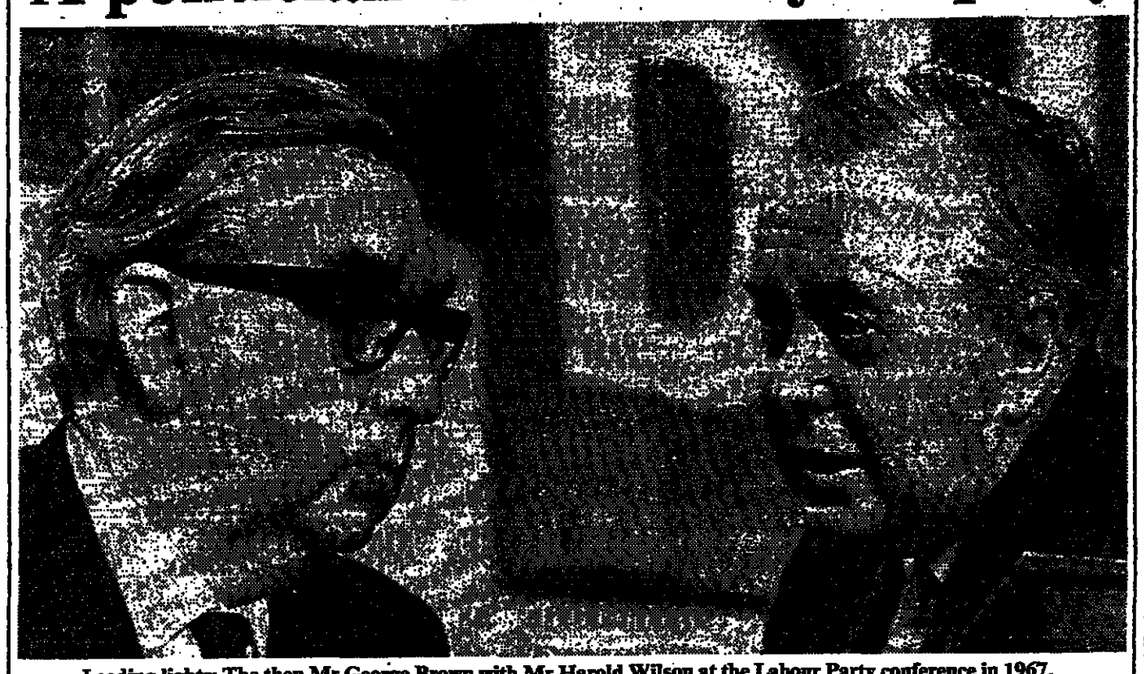
Ilea wants black governors in all London schools

The Inner London Education Authority is proposing to reform its governing bdies so that all London schools have at *least one black governor*, regardless of whether the pupils are black or white (Lucy Hodges writes).

The authority has discovered from a survey that blacks are underrepresented on governing bodies. In its own county schools 15.6 per cent of pupils are of Afro-Caribbean origin but only 2.7 per cent of the governors are. Similarly 11.7 per cent of pupils are Asian whereas 1.7 per cent of the governors are.

Mrs Frances Morrell, the Ilea's leader, wants co-opted seats on governing bodies to 90 blacks, and hopes that the 309 voluntary schools in London will follow suit.

A politician 'deserted' by his party



Leading lights: The then Mr George Brown with Mr Harold Wilson at the Labour Party conference in 1967.







Brown studies: The newly-elected MP in 1945 (left); *leaving the Foreign Office with his wife after his resignation in 1968 (centre);* defeat at Belper in 1970.

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Mr Denis Healey, who like George Brown became deputy leader but was passed over for the leadership of the Labour Party, expressed this in his belief that Brown "lacked a degree of self-discipline which would have taken him right to the top". He said that this was a tragedy for the Labour movement and for the country.

Lord George-Brown died peacefully in hospital in Cornwall, after many months of illness. He died enstranged from the Labour Party into which he was born, the son of a bus driver, in Southwark, south London, and maintaining to the end, like others of his generation, that Labour had changed and the modern party had deserted him, not he it.

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When he left the Labour Party in 1976, later to join the Social Democrats in common with his devoted younger brother Ronald, former MP for Hackney South and Shoreditch, it was "the saddest night of my life".

He entered Parliament as MP for Belper in the Labour landslide of 1945, and lost the seat when Labour lost office in 1970. By then he was a spent force.

In February 1963, after the death of Mr Hugh Gaitskell, he came close to being elected Labour leader.

But Labour MPs, by 144 votes to 103 in the final ballot, preferred Mr Harold Wilson, now Lord Wilson of Rievaulx, the shrewder, more calculating and, in the end by common consent, the abler man.

Brown was mortified and, as always, showed it. Her served in the first Wilson Cabinet, as Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, where he was a frustrated expansionist, then for two years as Foreign Secretary, where he was a frustrated but persistent advocate of British membership of the European Community.

But he was never happy, and often rebellious. Several times he threatened to resign, and one day, in 1968, the long-suffering Wilson accepted the offer. It was the end of Brown's career.

New tech company to shed 450 jobs

By Ronald Faux

National Semiconductor at Greenock announced yesterday that the work force is to be cut by almost a third over the next three months.

A worldwide slump in demand for electronic "chips", the basic ingredient of all computers, has caused the decision. Greenock is to lose 450 jobs.

The company opened the plant 15 years ago, and was one of the first to set up in the so-called "silicon glen" of Scotland, which has been regarded as the strong hope in the resurgence of the Scottish economy.

Mr Manuel Yuen, the managing director of the plant, said the cut-back was part of a worldwide reduction in the company's work force. Altogether, 1,300 workers are to be made redundent, 600 at the company's headquarters in California.

The Scottish Development Agency, which has strongly promoted electronics in Scotland, said there was no doubt the semiconductor industry worldwide was in the throes of a shake-out. They understood that the company had seen prices fall by 75 per cent in the last year, and the Greenock plant was operating at only 40 per cent of the output achieved a year ago.

***Mr Robin Duthie*, the agency's chairman, said the shake-out was not unusual in an industry so prone to cyclical change. It was also a fact that more and more businesses were moving into the electronic age so that the basic demand for semiconductor products would continue to grow.**

"There is an underlying soundness which supports our efforts to create a national integrated electronics industry in Scotland.

"With an annual growth rate of about 40 per cent, it is not surprising that the impact of the downturn has been so dramatic in the United States. In Europe the growth rate has been nearer 15 per cent, with a less dramatic downturn."

Mr Duthie said the Scottish strength and diversity in the semiconductor sector would place it in good standing.

Letter from New York

And now, over to the court . . .

"A woman lies in a coma. Her husband is accused of trying to murder her. Stay on top of the case with CNN. The elevision voice-over announces Cable News Network's live coverage of the trial of Claus von Bulow at Providence, Rhode Island. For six weeks now millions have been watching the slow unfolding of evidence as an out-of-court commentator summarizes the main facts and the evidence so far, identifies lawyers and other *dramatis personae* and explains the significance of the judge's rulings and points of law.

The camera is small and does not need lights. It has become part of the court furniture and on-one seems to be playing up to it. The coverage is selective and the CNN editors move in and out of the trial, fitting it into the news and feature menu of their 24-hour current affairs channel.

It is engrossing rather than dramatic coverage, and sometimes goes against the television grain by showing some of the tedium of the court process, a contrast to the lapel-grabbing stridency of much American television.

Americans are growing used to seeing major trials on television. Cameras are now allowed into the state courts of 42 of the 50 American states. But television is still resisted by the federal courts. Broadcasting journalists are fighting an uphill battle to persuade federal judges to allow television cameras into the three-tier system of nearly 100 federal district courts, 11 appeal courts and the Supreme Court.

The only illustrations usually allowed by judges in the federal system are the sketches made by newspaper and television artists. The television artists work at high speed, keeping up a flow of coloured chalk drawings to illustrate the evening news.

A panel of federal judges has rejected a case for television in the federal courts presented by the Radio-Television News Directors Association. Mr Eric Schultz, an official of the association, said: "Many judges are aghast at the idea of television in their courts and adamant that the camera must stay out. The prejudice is strong because many feel that lawyers will play up to the camera, that witnesses will be made more nervous and that courts will be turned into circuses. To these justices their courtrooms are sacred places whose dignity would somehow be undermined by television.

"We believe that the camera in the court improves reporting. It shows the public what really happens. People can hear vital evidence and the judge's own words. Many state court judges approve of television coverage and believe it helps the public to understand the law, and the judge's job, much better.

"Federal judges tend to be of an older generation, and are more conservative. I think television will come to the federal courts, but it will take time."

The broadcasters hurt their own case in 1965 when camera teams, with heavy equipment, lights and cables, caused uproar at a hearing. Mr Schultz admitted: "It really was a circus." The incident created an unfavourable reaction among many judges and lawyers.

Today courtroom televising is as unobtrusive as possible. The single camera is only 14 inches long, works without extra lighting, and has no tally light to show when it is operating.

The judge almost always has the last word about what television can cover. In some cases certain witnesses or the jury may not be shown, and the camera is switched off when juveniles and informers are on the witness stand.

It is hard to imagine that television could one day be permitted in British courts. But it might not be a bad thing. Courtroom televising in the United States is responsibly done and clears away the mystery of the judicial process without detracting from its necessary dignity. The public has a window on the painstaking workings of the law and gains a greater understanding of the complexities of justice. Television here brings the courts closer to the people, to whom they belong.

Trevor Fishlock

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen attends a Service of Thanksgiving at Mary Sumner House, Tufton St, London SW1, to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Mothers' Union, 2.30.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Honorary Colonel, the London Scottish Regiment, attends a reception at Regimental Headquarters, 59 Buckingham Gate, SW1, 7.

The Prince and Princess of Wales attend a reception given by the Board of Deputies of British Jews to mark their 225th Anniversary, Hampton Court Palace, 7.45.

Princess Anne opens the 4th World Congress on Emergency and Disaster Medicine in Brighton, 10.25; she then opens First International Freight Industry Conference in Brighton, 11.30; and later, as Patron, the Riding for the Disabled Association, visits the Newbury Group at Brockhurst School, Marlston, Berks, 3.25.

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Exhibitions in progress

Pastels by Anne-Marie Quinn; Oldham Art Gallery, Union St; Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Tues 10 to 1, Sat 10 to 4 (ends July 15).

Recent sculpture by John Behan; Gordon Gallery, 36 Ferry Quay St, Londonderry; Mon to Fri 11 to 5.30, Sat 11 to 1, closed Thurs and Sun (ends June 15).

Paintings, sculpture and enamelling from Isle of Arran (ends June 12); and Art from Poland; and Pictures from the Galloway Hills by Vivien Manson (ends June 13); Rozelle House, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5.

British Art Show; Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Southampton, Tues to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 4, Sun 2 to 5, closed Mon (ends June 30).

The Countess Gems; Burghley House, Stamford, Lincs; Mon to Sun 11 to 5 (ends Oct 6).

Comedy Characters: Harlequin, Punch and Judy, and Pierrot; Museum and Art Gallery, Church St, Brighton; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.45, Sun 2 to 5 (ends June 30).

Profile: The Conscious Contract – portraits by British photographers; Impressions Gallery of Photography; 17 Colliergate, Yorks; Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (ends June 22).

Music

Organ recital by Graham Matthews, Sheffield Cathedral, 8.

Boston Festival: Concert by the Demian String Quintet from Amsterdam; Sam Newsom Music Centre, Boston, Lincs, 7.30.

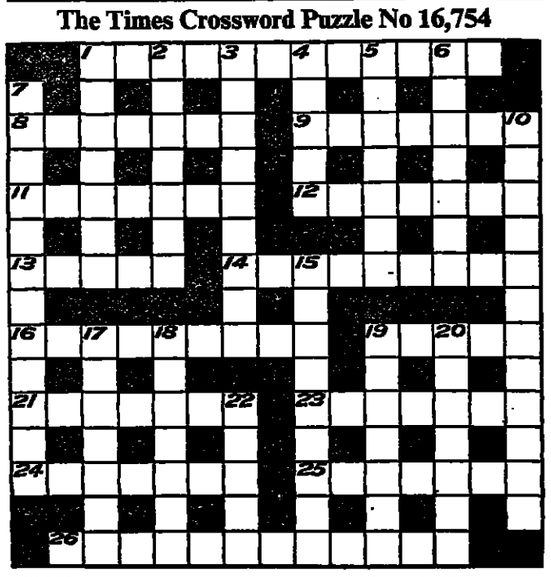
Piano recital by Nina Levtov; Chichester Cathedral, 1.10.

Organ recital by Kenneth Ryder and Roger Rayer, St Peter Mancroft Church, Norwich, 7.30.

Organ recital by Andrew Shaw, St Ann's Church, Manchester, 12.45.

Bath Festival: Recital by Catherine Edwards (piano) and John Amis (narrator), Guildhall Banqueting Room, 1; Piano recital by Radu Lupu, Theatre Royal, 7.30; Concert by the Hilliard Ensemble, St John's Church, South Parade, 10 pm.

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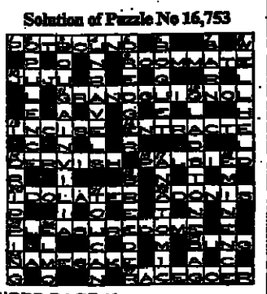
ACROSS

1 US firm in Rhode Island has friend in sympathy in Wales (12).
8 Horse food (7).
9 No amateur is suitable for making them (7).
11 Yield like the old Fascist (7).
12 Blow for a busy type (7).
13 Vandal being honoured gives one the hump (5).
14 Crossed lines in quick move back (9).
16 Blue and red, but not black, can be washed (9).
19 Go looking for prey – the bird's after half of it (5).
21 Gives a performance, say, and moves (7).
23 Stuff in addition to tea, perhaps (7).
24 Little man returns the right blow (7).
25 Poet taken in by schemers once (7).
26 One obviously entitled to appear in the river resort (4,8).

DOWN

1 It's an example of this (7).
2 Outside line for communicating (2,5).
3 Chips one removed from Gorgeous Georges (9).
4 Trims wine casks (5).
5 Type of verse for a Pope? (7).
6 Upset about wound pains (7).
7 Put your foot down on the issue of remarriage (4-8).
10 *Adults tiring perhaps of cricketing?* (12).
15 She stars in kind of drama done by Greeks (9).
17 Oral encouragement for Russian rising (7).
18 Unfortunate airman or country worker (7).
19 Quietly go back? No, go ahead (7).
20 No space left for part of chapter in Old Testament (7).
22 It gives an edge to the drinks when raised (5).

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Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debates on Opposition motions on rural communities in Wales and on higher education.

Lords (2.30): Education (Corporal Punishment) Bill, committee. Water (Fluoridation) Bill, report.

Anniversaries

George III, reigned 1760-1820, was born at Norfolk House, London, 1738.

Deaths: William H. R. Rivers, psychologist and anthropologist, Cambridge, 1922; F. R. Spafforth, Australian cricketer (the "demon bowler") Ditton Hill Lodge, Surrey, 1926; **William II**, German Emperor 1888-1918, Doorn, Netherlands, 1941; **Dorothy Gish**, actress, Rapallo, Italy, 1968.

Sports inquiry

Anyone who can assist with any matters relevant to the inquiry into crowd safety and control at sports grounds, other than the events at Bradford and Birmingham, should write to: Mr N. L. Morgan, The Secretary to the Inquiry, Room 814, The Home Office, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AT by July 1.

The events at Bradford and Birmingham are being dealt with separately.

TV top ten

National top ten television programmes in the week ending May 26th.

ITV

1 Coronation Street (Wed), Granada, 16.30m
2 Coronation Street (Mon) Granada, 16.10m
3 Emmerdale Farm (Tue) Yorkshire, 13.45m
4 Crossroads (Tue), Central, 13.40m
5 Crossroads (Wed), Central, 12.85m
6 Crossroads (Thu), Central, 12.55m
7 Emmerdale Farm (Thu), Yorkshire, 12.35m
8 Busman's Holiday, Granada, 12.30m
9 The Price is Right, Central, 11.95m
10 News At 5.45 (Tue), ITN, 11.80m
10 News (Wed 17.57), ITN, 11.80m

BBC 1

1 Three Up, Two Down, 13.60m
2 News and Sport (Sat 21.50), 12.10m
3 East Enders (Thu), 11.90m
4 East Enders (Tue), 11.15m
4 That's Life, 11.15m
6 Dallas, 11.00m
7 Dynasty, 10.90m
8 News and Weather (Sun 22.15), 10.55m
9 Where Eagles Dare, 10.40m
10 Nine O'Clock News (Wed), 8.90m

BBC 2

1 The Young Ones, 6.05m
2 Behind The Lines, 4.40m
3 The Chelsea Flower Show 1985, 3.85m
3 The Final Frame, 3.70m
5 Horizon, 3.65m
5 Jonathan King in Montreux, 3.65m
5 Bleak House, 3.65m
5 Tarzan's Desert Mystery, 3.65m
9 Gardener's World, 3.40m
10 Alec Clifton – Taylor's English Towns, 3.10m

Channel 4

1 Dark Night of The Scarecrow, 8.25m
2 Brookside (Mon), 5.20m
3 Brookside (Tue), 4.65m
4 The Awful Truth, 3.20m
5 Cheers, 3.15m
6 Song For Europe, 3.10m
7 Gairsiders' Calender Roadshow, 2.55m
8 Lou Grant, 2.40m
9 The Cosby Show, 2.35m
10 4 What It's Worth, 2.05m

Breakfast television: The average weekly figures for audiences at peak times (with figures in parentheses showing the reach – the number of people who viewed for at least three minutes):

BBC1: *Breakfast Time*: Mon to Fri 1.6m (7.8m). TV-am: *Good Morning Britain*: Mon to Fri 2.8m (10.0m); Sat 2.3m; Sun 1.5m (Sat or Sun 6.2m). Broadcasters' Audience Research Board.

Beating Retreat

The Massed Bands, Pipes and Drums of The Queen's Division will 'Beat Retreat' on Horse Guards Parade on June 11, 12 and 13 at 6.30 pm.

Tickets for 'Beating Retreat' are on sale from the Ticket Centre, 16 Bridge St (opposite Big Ben), Westminster, London SW1A 2JR. Seats available at £4, £3 and £2; standing £1. Group bookings of 20 or more receive 10 per cent discount. Applications by post should be accompanied by payment and sae. Frther enquiries to: The Project Office, The Queen's Division, HQ London District, Whitehall, London, SW1A 2AX, tel: 01-930 4466, extension 2329.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.095	1.935
Austria Sch	28.85	27.25
Belgium Fr	82.10	78.30
Canada $	1.83	1.75
Denmark Kr	14.85	13.95
Finland Mk	8.45	8.00
France Fr	12.35	11.84
Germany DM	4.08	3.88
Greece Dr	180.00	170.00
Hong Kong $	10.40	9.80
Ireland Pt	1.304	1.244
Italy Lira	2800.00	2490.00
Japan Yen	335.00	319.00
Netherlands Gld	4.585	4.375
Norway Kr	11.72	11.71
Portugal Esc	228.00	218.00
South Africa Rd	3.15	2.75
Spain Pta	227.00	216.00
Sweden Kr	11.73	11.18
Switzerland Fr	3.43	3.27
USA $	1.348	1.288
Yugoslavia Dnr	345.00	325.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 373.9.

London: *The FT* index closed up 8.2 at 1010.7.

Roads

Wales and West: M4: Contraflow bwtween junctions 16 and 17 (Swindon to Chippenham); delays. **A344:** Closed at Stonehenge, W of Amesbury, Wilts; diversions via A303 and A360. Lane closures both directions at Blue St roundabout, Cirmarthen; temporary lights.

The Midlands: M5: Contraflow between junctions 3 (A444 Coventry) and 4 (M42 Birmingham E); northbound Codey Services closed. **M5:** Various lane restrictions between junctions 4 and 8 (Birmingham to M50 exits); plus some overnight weekday closures. **A49:** Three separate sets of roadworks on Ludlow bypass, Shropshire.

The North: M6: Lanes closed on both carriageways between junctions 32 (M55) and 33 (A6 Lancaster S); access to Forton services maintained: care required. **M63:** resurfacing between junctions 7 and 9 Greater Manchester; slip roads at junction 8 (Sale) closed. **A1:** Roadworks at Shilbottle Bridge, W of Alnwick, Northumberland.

Scotland: M74: Southbound carriageway closed between junctions 2 and 1 (Larkhall to Lanark) Strathaven, due to constriction work; contraflow on northbound. **A82:** Kerbing work S of Fort William; single line traffic with lights. **A92:** Single alternate line traffic on Montrose Rd, Arbroath in Angus.

Information supplied by the AA

The papers

The Daily Express, commenting on the Government's Green Paper on social security reforms, says: "Norman Fowler and his social services' working parties have done their homework over the past 18 months. Thoroughly and competently, and they have come up with the right answers. But it is not enough to be right. The Government's scheme must be seen to be right."

The Mirror says that the Government's proposals "are a deliberate attempt to destroy the welfare state".

The Daily Star says that the bans on English football clubs playing in Europe are "fair enough – a welcome if inadequate gesture to purge the game for the outrage of Brussels". It adds: "And the hope must be that the Government's crack-down on terracing violence will work. Certainly it demands the support of MPs of all parties."

Portfolio

Portfolio – how to play

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

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Weather forecast

A thundery trough over SW England will move N whilst another trough of low pressure will be slow moving over N Scotland.

6am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW England, Channel Islands: Sunny intervals, showers or thunderstorms; some heavy with hail; wind E moderate or fresh; max temp 25C (77F), becoming very humid, cooler on some coasts.

East Anglia, E, NE England: Sunny periods, dull and misty near some coasts, outbreaks of thundery rain developing later; wind E moderate; max temp 24C (75F), cooler near coasts.

Midlands, S Wales: Sunny periods, showers or thunderstorms, some heavy with hail; wind E moderate; max temp 25C (77F).

N Wales, NW, central N England: Sunny periods, thundery rain developing later; wind E moderate; max temp 24C (75F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Sunny periods, dry; wind E light; max temp 23C (73F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Sunny periods, dry, dull and misty near coasts; wind variable light; max temp 20C (68F), cooler near coasts.

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, perhaps a little rain and drizzle; wind variable light; max temp 15C (59F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Showers or longer outbreaks of rain, heavy and thundery in places, also sunny intervals; mostly very warm but falling to hear normal later, especially in central and S parts.

SEA PASSAGES: North Sea, Strait Of Dover: Wind variable mainly E light or moderate; thundery showers; visibility moderate; sea slight. **English Channel E, St George's Channel:** Wind variable light; thundery showers; visibility moderate with fog patches; sea slight. **Irish Sea: Wind** NE light or moderate; mainly fair; visibility moderate; sea slight.

Sun rises: 4.47 am. Sun sets: 9.11 pm. Moon sets: 5.20 am. Moon rises: 11.27 pm. Last quarter: June 10.

Lighting-up time

London 9.41 pm to 4.16 am
Bristol 9.51 pm to 4.28 am
Edinburgh 10.21 pm to 4.01 am
Manchester 10.01 pm to 4.14 am
Penzance 9.56 pm to 4.45 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	s 19	66	Guernsey	s 17	63
Birmingham	s 20	68	Inverness	s 19	66
Blackpool	s 22	72	Jersey	s 21	70
Bristol	s 22	72	London	s 22	72
Cardiff	f 21	70	Manchester	s 21	70
Edinburgh	s 18	61	Newcastle	s 17	63
Glasgow	s 21	70	Ronaldsway	s 17	63

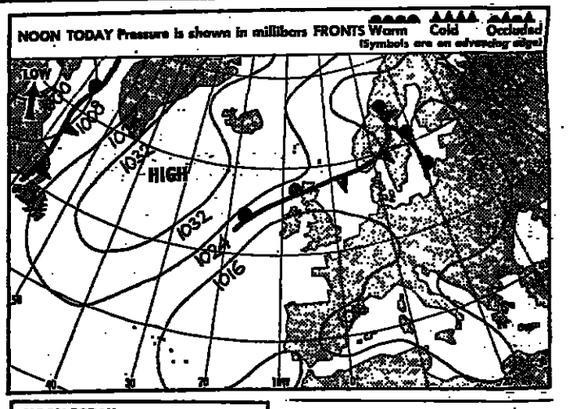
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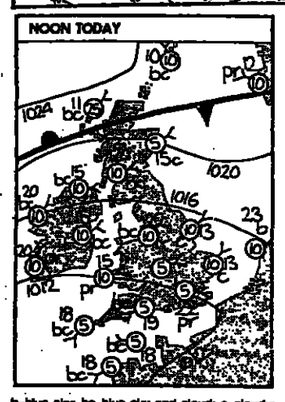
Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 24C (75F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Humidity: 6 pm, 39 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.00in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 13.7 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,017.2 millibars falling.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Southampton, 27C (81F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath 10C (50F); highest rainfall: nil; highest sunshine: Prestwick, 16.1hr.

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High tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	3.08	7.0	3.28	6.9
Aberdeen	2.57	4.1	3.04	4.2
Avonmouth	8.48	13.1	9.11	13.2
Belfast	12.05	3.4	12.32	3.4
Cardiff	8.33	12.1	8.56	12.2
Devonport	7.32	5.3	7.54	5.4
Dover	12.08	6.6	12.39	6.5
Falmouth	7.02	5.1	7.24	5.2
Glasgow	2.14	4.5	2.24	4.6
Harwich	1.00	4.0	1.31	3.9
Holyhead	11.51	6.8		
Hull	7.45	7.4	8.09	7.4
Ilfracombe	7.28	9.2	7.50	9.3
Leith	3.46	5.5	4.18	5.7
Liverpool	12.25	9.5	12.49	9.4
Lowestoft	11.03	2.4	11.30	2.5
Margate	1.01	4.8	1.36	4.6
Milford Haven	7.45	7.0	8.07	7.1
Newquay	6.35	7.0	6.57	7.1
Oban	7.13	3.8	7.37	4.0
Penzance	6.29	5.4	6.53	5.5
Portland	8.28	2.1	8.02	2.9
Portsmouth	12.36	4.8	1.07	4.7
Shoreham	12.20	6.3	12.49	6.1
Southampton			12.28	4.5
Swansea	7.52	9.5	8.14	9.8
Tees	5.02	5.4	5.31	5.4
Walton-on-Naze	12.53	4.2	1.19	4.1

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.28ft.

b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures centigrade.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	14.9	–	16	61	sunny
Bridlington	14.4	–	17	63	sunny am
Cromer	–	–	15	59	cloud
Lowestoft	7.0	–	14	57	sunny am
Clacton	14.8	–	17	63	sunny
Margate	14.1	–	14	57	sunny
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	14.1	–	20	68	sunny
Hastings	14.6	–	25	77	sunny
Eastbourne	14.2	–	22	72	sunny
Brighton	13.7	–	22	72	sunny
Worthing	13.5	–	25	77	sunny
Littlehampton	13.4	–	25	77	sunny
Bognor R	13.6	–	23	73	sunny
Southsea	12.0	–	24	75	sunny
Sandown	11.4	–	55	68	sunny
Shanklin	11.7	–	20	68	sunny
Ventnor	13.9	–	25	77	sunny
Bournemth	13.3	–	26	79	sunny
Poole	13.3	–	26	79	sunny
Swanage	11.3	–	19	66	sunny
Weymouth	13.4	–	23	73	sunny
Exmouth	13.5	–	22	72	sunny
Teignmouth	13.5	–	23	73	sunny
Torquay	13.2	–	22	72	sunny
Falmouth	11.5	–	20	68	sunny
Penzance	10.0	–	22	72	sunny
Jersey	10.8	–	22	72	bright
Guernsey	14.2	–	19	66	sunny
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	9.8	–	18	64	sunny
Newquay	14.3	–	24	75	sunny
Ilfracombe	10.7	–	22	72	sunny
Tenby	9.5	–	22	72	sunny
Colwyn Bay					
Southport					
Morecambe					
Douglas					
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London (Cen)	13.7	–	24	75	sunny
B'ham (Airpt)					
Bristol (Cen)	13.7	–	24	75	sunny
Cardiff (Cen)	12.5	–	23	73	sunny
Anglesey	11.7	–	23	73	sunny
Pool (Airpt)					
Manchester					
Nottingham	15.1	–	21	70	sunny
N'cstl-n-Tyne					
Carlisle					
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir					
Prestwick	16.1	–	24	75	sunny
Glasgow	15.4	–	23	73	sunny
Tiree	15.0	–	19	66	sunny
Stornoway	16.0	–	19	66	sunny
Lerwick	4.5	–	12	54	fog
Wick	14.2	–	15	59	sunny
Kinloss	14.9	–	19	66	sunny
Aberdeen	15.3	–	20	68	sunny
St Andrews	15.2	–	16	61	sunny
Edinburgh	14.9	–	17	63	sunny
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	15.6	–	21	70	sunny

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Ajaccio	s	24	75	Cologne	s	25	77	Majorca	s	26	79	Rome	s	25	77
Alicante	s	29	84	Copenhgn	s	11	52	Malaga	s	24	75	Salzburg	r	22	72
Alexandria	f	26	79	Corfu	s	28	82	Malta	s	26	79	San Paulo*	f	23	73
Algiers	s	25	77	Dublin	s	16	59	Melbourne	f	13	55	S Francisco*	c	16	61
Amsterdam	s	23	73	Dubrovnik	f	24	75	Mexico C*	f	22	72	SanDiego*	c	16	61
Athens	f	27	81	Faro	c	20	68	Miami				Seoul*	c	23	73
Bahrain	s	33	91	Florence	s	30	86	Milan	f	26	79	Singapore	f	28	82
Barbados				Frankfurt	s	25	77	Montreal				Stockholm	f	18	61
Barcelona	s	28	73	Funchal	c	21	70	Moscow	f	18	64	Strasbourg	s	25	77
Beirut				Geneva	s	22	72	Munich	s	20	68	Sydney	f	18	61
Belgrade	c	17	63	Gibraltar	s	24	75	Nairobi	f	22	72	Tangier	f	21	70
Berlin	s	25	77	Helsinki	s	14	57	Naples	f	27	81	Tel Aviv	s	30	86
Bermuda*	c	23	73	Hong Kong	c	27	81	New Delhi*	s	35	95	Tenerife	f	24	75
Biarritz	f	25	77	Innsbruck	s	25	77	New York*	s	24	75	Tokyo	s	23	77
Bologne	s	24	75	Istanbul	f	21	70	Nice	s	23	73	Toronto*	f	24	75
Bordeaux	f	24	75	Jakkah	s	36	97	Oslo	s	20	68	Tunis*	s	31	88
Brussels	s	25	77	Jo'burg				Paris	s	26	79	Valencia	f	25	77
Budapest	c	21	70	Karachi*	f	34	93	Peking	s	27	81	Vancouver*	f	19	66
Buen Aires*	s	13	55	Las Palmas	f	23	73	Perth	f	16	61	Venice	s	25	77
Cairo	s	35	95	Lisbon	c	17	63	Prague	c	20	68	Vienna	s	28	82
Cape Tn	s	19	66	Locarno	s	26	79	Reykjavik	s	9	48	Warsaw	c	22	72
C'blanca	f	22	72	L.Angeles*	s	18	64	Rhodes	s	27	81	Washington*	f	26	79
Chicago*	s	16	61	Litzenbg	s	24	75	Riyadh	s	39	102	Wellington*	f	14	57
Ch'church*	f	11	52	Madrid	f	22	72	Rio de Jan	c	23	73	Zurich	s	20	68

*denotes Sunday's figures are latest available